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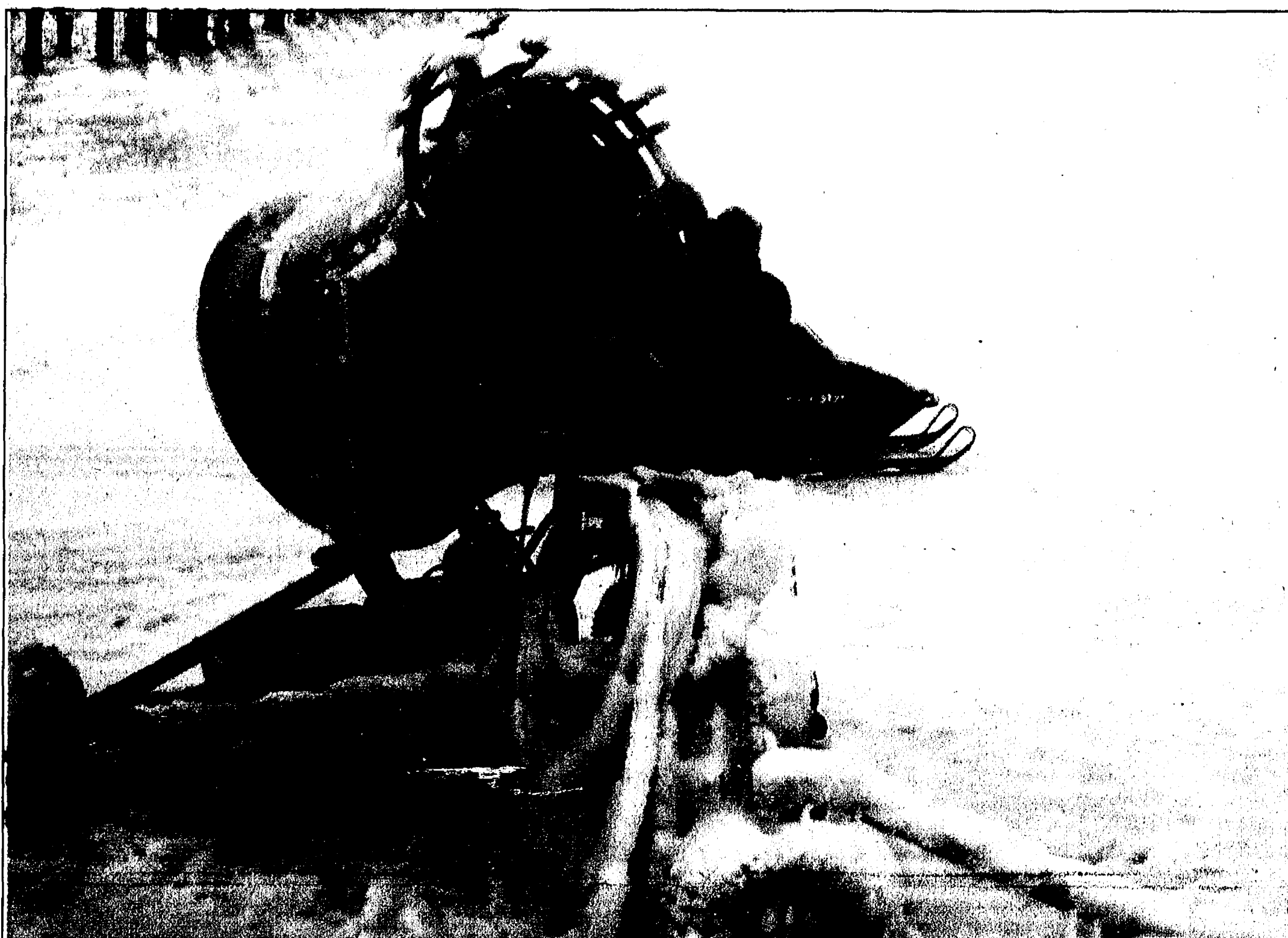


Photo by Dan Sanderson

With the arrival of snow and the drop in temperatures earlier this week, Hanson Hills maintenance crews were out making snow in full force in hopes of getting people out on the slopes for the upcoming weekend. Above, Craig "Jake" Jacobs, a Hanson Hills maintenance employee, adjusts one of the snow making machines on the slopes.

Attorney fees issue headed to Supreme Court

by Dan Sanderson
Staff Writer

The decision on who will foot the bill for attorney fees associated with the six-year battle with the 46th Circuit Trial Court is in the hands of the Michigan Supreme Court Justices.

The Crawford County Board of Commissioners, last week, unanimously voted to appeal a decision made by the Michigan Court of Appeals, which was issued in December, that said Crawford and Kalkaska Counties were liable for attorney fees charged by lawyers representing the 46th Circuit Trial Court.

In July 2006, the Michigan Supreme Court, ruled that the funding of enhanced pension benefits and retirement health care benefits sought by the administration for the 46th Circuit Trial Court, were not reasonable and necessary to the serviceability of the court and that Crawford and Kalkaska counties were not contractually obligated to appropriate funds for the benefit plans. The Supreme Court also said the court's authority to demand appropriations from the counties was limited to meeting critical

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Wood pellet firm heating things up in industrial park

by Dan Sanderson
Staff Writer

A new manufacturing operation in the Grayling Industrial Park is helping heat things up this winter.

Michigan Wood Pellet began operations in the Monarch Millwork building in mid-November. Both companies are co-owned by Mike Hees.

Michigan Wood Pellet manufactures wood pellets used for wood pellet heating stoves as well as material used for animal bedding.

The excess wood left over from production at Monarch Millwork, which manufactures components for doors, windows and kitchen cabinets, and Springs Industries, a firm which makes wood blinds in the industrial park, is used to make the pellets.

The wood is ground and screened, then is feed into an extruder which heats it and forms it into a clay like substance. The material is then cooled as it comes out of a die and is crystallized to form quarter-inch pellets.

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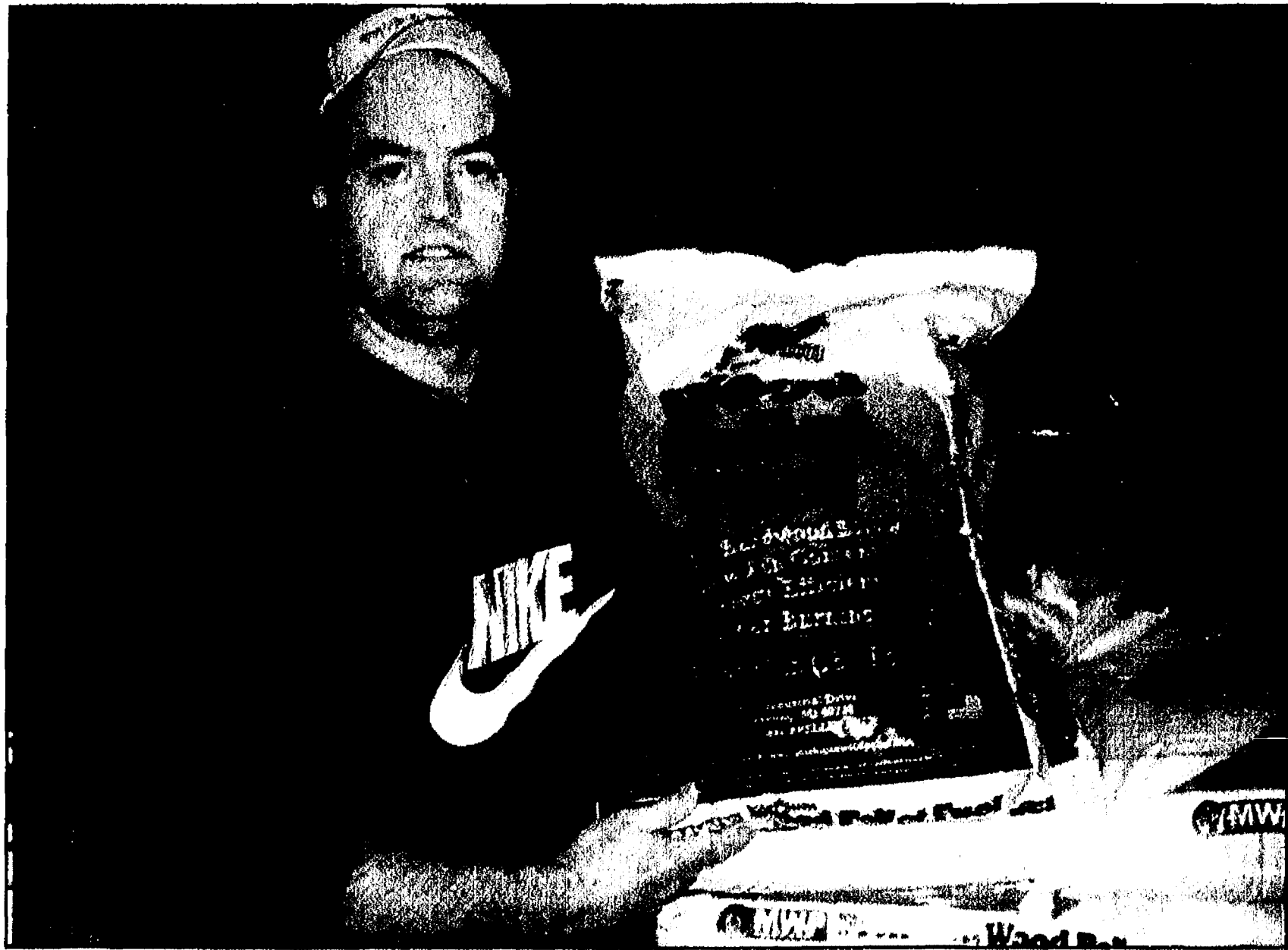


Photo by Dan Sanderson

Mike Hees, the co-owner of Michigan Wood Pellet and Monarch Millwork, is investing \$2.1 million into his wood pellet manufacturing operation.

Police investigate burglaries

Two downtown Grayling businesses were broken into last Thursday.

The Crawford County Avalanche, located at 102 Michigan Ave., was broken into between 6:15 p.m. on Thursday, Jan. 4 and 8 a.m. on Friday, Jan. 5.

Employees arriving for work on Friday discovered the break-in and called the Grayling City Police.

Thieves gained entry to the building by prying open the lock on the front door to the Avalanche. Once inside, thieves ransacked desks and filing cabinets in the entire building.

A small amount of cash was taken, said Det. Dennis Long from the Grayling City Police Department.

During the same time, Gale Enterprises, an accounting and bookkeeping firm located at 305 Peninsular Ave., was also broken into.

Thieves pried open the lock on the front door to the business, ransacked the interior and made

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Wood pellet firm heating things up in industrial park

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Heating with wood pellet heating stoves is popular in Sweden, Denmark, Austria and Finland, according to the Pellet Fuels Institute.

The practice became popular in the United States in the early 1980s during the oil embargo, and has followed economic fluctuations over the last 25 years.

The demand for wood pellet stoves spiked following Hurricane Katrina last year.

"The demand for the number of stoves doubled and the industry has been struggling to keep up," Hees said.

Wood pellet heating stoves

are used as a secondary heat source, are capable of reducing heating costs by 60 to 80 percent. A person with an average sized home can heat their home for the winter season with three to five tons of pellets.

Although the firm has received inquiries from other states in the Mideast and Canada, Michigan Wood Pellet is concentrating on supplying pellets to retailers and homeowners in northern Lower Michigan and the eastern Upper Peninsula. The pellets, which are sold in 50 pound bags or for \$175 a ton, are also made available at the plant in the industrial park.

"We're getting a great response from customers and we are selling everything we make everyday," Hees said.

Hees was able to get the wood pellet manufacturing equipment from the Oklahoma based Bliss Industries in September after another company backed out of a purchase agreement. Hees had not planned on starting to install the wood pellet plant until the spring of 2007.

"Obviously, we needed to catch the winter season to make things viable so there were a lot of last minute, quick decisions that needed to be made to make this happen," Hees said.

In September, the Grayling City Council approved a 50 per-

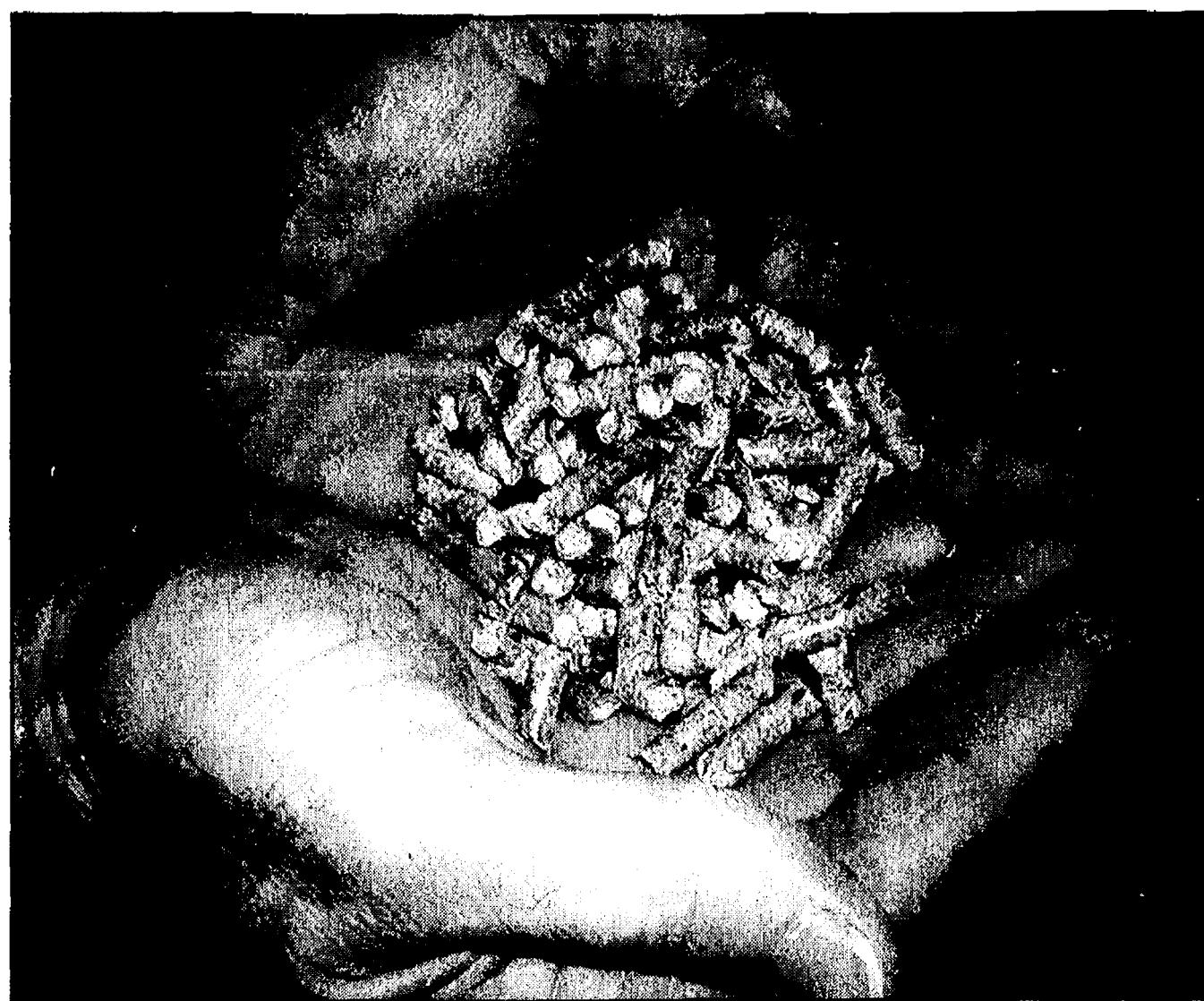


Photo by Dan Sanderson

Waste wood is formed into quarter-inch sized pellets during the manufacturing process.

cent tax abatement for 12 years for Michigan Wood Pellet.

Hees is investing \$2.1 million into operation.

In the next year, Hees plans to install a second wood pellet manufacturing mill in a 20,000 square foot building expansion.

Michigan Wood Pellet currently has nine employees, and

operates during the evening hours to reduce energy costs.

Once the second phase of the operation is completed, the firm will employ between 18 to 20 people and will run 24 hours a day, Hees said. The firm will also accept waste wood from other wood manufacturing companies in the community

once the expansion is completed.

Hees said the wood pellet operation will run year round, especially as the demand for wood pellets used for bedding on horse farms increases.

"It fits in really well as a secondary market for the winter season," Hees said.

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New deputy replaces retiree on road patrol

by Dan Sanderson
Staff Writer

Crawford County Sheriff Kirk Wakefield has implemented a training program to put a new officer on the road while curbing overtime expenses.

Chase Barnett, who has worked the last two years as a seasonal marine patrol officer, was hired on Dec. 1 to serve on the Crawford County Sheriff's Office road patrol.

Barnett, who graduated from the Kirtland Community College's Police Academy, has been teamed with Deputy John McDonald for a 60 to 90 day training period.

While McDonald is working with Barnett, Wakefield is having Jimmy Parker, a retired sheriff's deputy, also work the

road patrol so that complaints are handled in a timely manner. The sheriff's department has been handling about 400 complaints per month, Wakefield said.

Parker has been filling open shifts at the department due to the absence of Bill Bonkowski, who was on an extended leave due to medial issues. Bonkowski officially retired on Dec. 1.

Parker will serve on the road patrol until Barnett is trained, which saves the county about \$15,000 by avoiding to pay another deputy overtime to handle complaints.

"I know it's costing money but it's saving money at the same time," Wakefield said. "We need to get this guy trained, get him up to speed and

get him going."

Barnett graduated from the Calvary Baptist Academy in 2001. Deputies Ryan Swope and Jason Alexander, the school liaison officer, are two other sheriff's officers who are local graduates who have joined the department in recent years.

"Those are good officers working in our community, and I want to continue that," Wakefield said.

Wakefield told Crawford County Commissioners at a recent meeting that Paul Hill, a retired corrections officer, has also returned to fill open shifts in the jail. Capt. Scott Feldhauser, the jail administrator, is also working as a corrections officer instead of serving as a court bailiff. Capt. Art

Clough, who oversees the road patrol, has been serving as bailiff along with other road officers.

"I only have so may people to work with and I have so may jobs to do," Wakefield said.

Wakefield said that he would provide county officials with cost projections that it is taking to staff the jail since he is incurring some overtime expenses.

"I'm just trying to save money and keep people employed," he said.

County commissioners gave their approval for Wakefield's staffing arrangements during deputy training.

"If you can do this without an increase in your budget, I have no problem with it whatsoever," County Commissioner Scott Hanson said.

Houghton Lake ready to roll with Tip Up Town

by Dan Sanderson
Staff Writer

The crowning of the Tip Up Town queen and selection of the mayor and marshal may have been just the thing needed to whisk in chilly weather for Houghton Lake's winter festival.

Debbie Banks was crowned queen for the 57th annual Tip Up Town at the kick off for the winter festival held at the Houghton Lake High School on Saturday.

P.J. Steeby was selected as the Tip Up Town mayor, and Denise MacKenzie, co-owner of Coyle's Restaurant, will serve as the marshal for the festival.

The mayor and marshall preside over the Tip Up Town events.

"We basically take part in the tomfoolery that is part of Tip Up Town and try to make sure that good humor and good fun

are maintained throughout the entire event," MacKenzie said.

Actual Tip Up Town events do not start until 7 p.m. on Friday, Jan. 19 with the Queen's Dance, which will be held at the Quality Inn.

Despite the lack of snow and ice on Houghton Lake, the executive board of volunteers who help plan Tip Up Town never thought of cancelling the festival.

If fact, in the campaign for mayor and marshal, Steeby and MacKenzie, competing as the Snow White Party for the official festival posts, promised lots of snow, ice and good clean fun for the festival.

MacKenzie said she was pleased to see snow on the ground and the thermometer drop just 24-hours after the kick-off for Tip Up Town.

"It's not much, but it's a start,"

MacKenzie said.

Contingency plans are in place to move and alter events if the cold weather does not hold up. The ice fishing contests for the kids and adults will be changed to regular fishing contests if there is not enough ice to safely fish on Houghton Lake. The annual softball game on ice, scheduled to be held from noon to 4 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 28, will be moved to a regular ball field if there is not adequate ice.

"We're not going to be making those calls until the very last minute," MacKenzie said.

Events in the Family Fun Tent, which take place on Saturday, Jan. 20, Sunday, Jan. 21, and Saturday, Jan. 27 and Sunday, Jan. 28, are expected be held as scheduled.

"All of those things will carry on, regardless," MacKenzie said.

Grayling City Council seeks to fill vacancy

by Dan Sanderson
Staff Writer

A Grayling businesswoman who was appointed to the Grayling City Council last year resigned from her position last month.

The Grayling City Council on Monday accepted a resignation from Kim Millikin.

Millikin resigned from her position on the council on Dec. 22 because she moved to a home in Grayling Township and can no longer serve on the city panel.

Millikin was appointed to the city council in Feb. 2006, replacing Joe Ferrigan, the former Grayling mayor who resigned to devote more time to coaching the Grayling High School wrestling team.

While on the council, Millikin wrote an application which helped the city secure a \$519,767 Community Development Block Grant from the Michigan Economic Development Corporation to help pay for water, sewer and street upgrades in the down-

town business district.

The Grayling City Council is accepting applications for the vacancy on the council until 4 p.m. on Monday, Jan. 22. Applications should be submitted to Grayling City Clerk Michele Moshier.

The city council meets on the second and fourth Monday of every month. Council members receive \$75 per diem per meeting or up to \$1,800 per year, and also serve on a variety of committees representing the city.

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MATES Blood Drive



Photo by Dan Sanderson

A total of 53 pints of blood were donated at the American Red Cross Blood Drive held at the American Legion Hall last Wednesday. The blood drive was sponsored by the employees from Camp Grayling's Maneuver Area Training Equipment Site (MATES). Above, Staff Sgt. George Masella, a mechanic at MATES, visits with Daniel J. Van Nuck as Rita Serva, an American Red Cross donor technician, places a bandage on Van Nuck's arm after he donated blood.

Three seats to be open on KCC board

Potential candidates for the Kirtland Community College Board of Trustees will be competing for three seats in an upcoming election on Tuesday, May 8. But those seeking to join the KCC board must first complete the tasks necessary to get their name on the ballot, and an important deadline looms ahead.

The cut-off to file nominating petitions or to pay an optional \$100 filing fee is Tuesday, Feb. 13. Persons considering running for a board position may pick up nominating petitions at either the Roscommon County Clerk's office or at the president's office on Kirtland's main campus near Roscommon.

The number of signatures needed to have a candidate placed on the ballot may vary from 50 to 200, and must be signatures of registered voters from within the college's tax district that includes Crawford, Oscoda, Ogemaw and Roscommon counties, as well as portions of Alcona, Gladwin, Kalkaska, Missaukee and Otsego counties.

"Candidates who elect to pay the optional \$100 filing fee are not required to secure voter signatures," said Dr. Charles Rorie, KCC president.

Filing the nominating petitions or payment of the optional filing fee must be completed at the Roscommon County Clerk's

office, located in the Roscommon County Courthouse in downtown Roscommon, even if the candidates are from other counties within Kirtland's tax district.

"Everything is being handled by the (Roscommon) county clerk's office," said Kathy Koch, administrative assistant to the president at KCC.

Elections to the seven-member board of trustees are usually held every two years, with at least two seats up for election. Originally, the election for the three seats now slated to be on the ballot was to be held in June 2006.

Recent changes in state election laws consolidated the number of elections and resulted in KCC board members, who are elected to six-year terms of office, serving a year more than anticipated, after college officials chose to move the elections from even to odd-numbered years.

"Since you can't shorten any board member's term in office, we chose to extend those one year," Koch added.

The three seats on the KCC board up for election include trustee positions that are currently held by longtime board member Robert Bovee of Grayling, and board appointees Patricia Webb of Roscommon and Denis Weiss of West Branch. Both Webb and Weiss

were appointed by the board to fill vacancies until the next regular election in 2006, which was later postponed to this May.

Webb was appointed in July 2004, after former board member Carole Kuehn resigned. Kuehn's term in office was slated to end in 2006, so the person winning the seat in May will start serving a new six-year term in office that will then expire in 2013.

Weiss joined the KCC board in November 2005 to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of then Trustee Jan Farmer. Farmer's term originally ran through 2010, but now extends till May 2011 so that it falls on an odd-numbered year. The winning candidate this spring will complete the four years remaining on that term of office.

Regular meetings are of the KCC Board of Trustees are held on the third Thursday of each month at 7 p.m., except in June, when the meeting is scheduled for the second Thursday of the month. Board members are not compensated for their time, but they are reimbursed for any expenses associated with their duties, such as mileage.

For more information, contact Koch by calling 989-275-5000, extension 253, or via e-mail at kochk@kirtland.edu. And details on the KCC Board of Trustees, including information

on individual board members, may be viewed online at www.kirtland.edu/board.

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PRIORITY HEALTH

Flu vaccine available at Health Department

by Matt Seager
Staff Writer

Feeling a bit under the weather? Just because this is the warmest winter Crawford County has seen in decades does not mean that flu season is not a threat.

"We're encouraging anybody that we can to seek the flu shot," said Dr. James Wilson, medical director for the District Health Department which oversees Crawford County.

Shortages of influenza vaccine nationwide have made the news in recent years, but now there is plenty for everyone.

"We have enough vaccine to immunize anybody who wants," said Wilson.

The Crawford County Health

Department, located on 202 Meadows Drive, is offering flu clinic dates in January and February. Medicare and Medicaid insurance should cover the shots.

According to Wilson, the demographic most at risk for influenza are children from six months to five years in age. Also at risk are anybody over age 65 and people with chronic health problems.

Sadly, dozens of children die nationwide each year from this easily preventable condition.

"Each year, five to 20 percent of the population gets the flu," said Wilson.

The only people who are advised to void the vaccine are those who have an allergy to

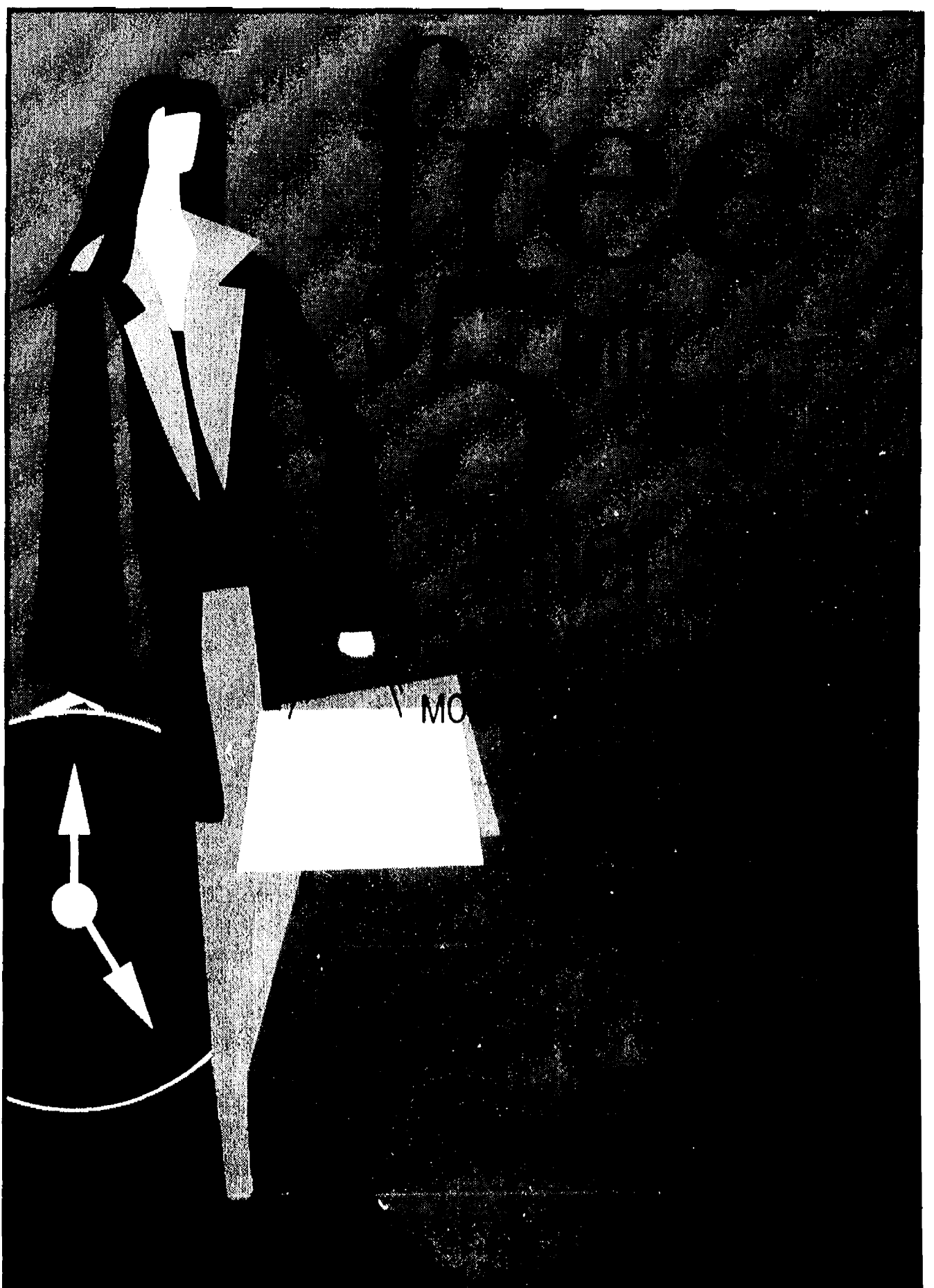
eggs, as a small amount of egg extract is used in the formula. Aside from that, the vaccine is completely harmless.

"You cannot get the flu from a flu shot," said Wilson.

Interestingly, there are those who believe that a regular flu shot has the potential to defend against the possible threat of a bird flu outbreak, although the two viruses are technically different.

"There's some theoretical thought that perhaps it would help people not die," said Wilson.

To contact the Crawford County Health Office for information about flu clinics, call 989-348-7800.



OPINIONS



ALMANACK

by Richard L. Milliman

What will happen in 2007? Here are guesses

BEING EITHER too stubborn or too dumb to change the pattern, the Almanack once again will follow through with the self imposed annual tradition of offering predictions of what will happen in the coming year.

But first a review of our forecast for 2006 shows it was so so, at best.

Domestic spying was indeed the center of public controversy, President George W. Bush was not impeached. Correct on those.

Democrats gained control of Congress, contrary to my prediction; however, at election time I had changed my view and did foresee (in print) both house and senate going to the Democrats.

Sen. Hillary Clinton, as expected, continued to moderate her image and gain presidential strength, and several lesser known would-be presidents in both parties started their moves,

as I predicted.

Gov. Jennifer Granholm, Sen. Debbie Stabenow and 16 of 17 Michigan Congressmen were reelected, but I missed on Rep. Joe Schwarz, who lost.

I also did not see Democrats winning the state house.

The Detroit Tigers emphatically won more than half their games, but the Lions did not, and neither New York team was in the World Series; right on all three. U of M football did not struggle — until its last two games — and MSU fell two games short of the predicted six win season, but Coach John L. Smith indeed was fired. The Wolverines did not make the NCAA basketball tournament and the Spartans didn't go as far as I thought.

The Dow Jones index went above 11,000 and stayed there, as I foresaw; I was overly cautious, as it was 12,000 almost all year.

SO WHAT about 2007? Both nationally and internationally, things are so complicated and uncertain it's unwise to go very far out on a limb.

The White House and Congress will be a subtle battleground most of the year. Congress will pass a health plan of some sort and minimum wage increase. Presidential impeachment will be threatened but not happen.

Continued Democratic control of the senate will be in question sometime during the year. Speaker Nancy Pelosi will be a strong leader, but must moderate her partisan ardor to be an effective one. Both sides will talk bipartisan cooperation, and on some modest scale it actually may happen.

Hillary Clinton, Barack Obama and John Edwards will dominate the early Democratic maneuvering for president. Sen.

Obama will pull out of consideration before year end. Other Democratic hopefuls will try to catch fire, but none will ignite the prairies.

Among Republicans, it's a free for all. John McCain, Mitt Romney and Rudy Guiliani will lead early, and conservative Republicans will seek their own champion.

The Dow Jones index will stay above 12,000 most of the year, move toward 13,000 during 2007, but not quite make it.

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GOV. GRANHOLM will offer somewhat bolder approaches to Michigan's festering problems. As she has demanded, a break-even tax plan to replace the single business tax will hold sway. More emphasis by the governor and in the legislature will be on added revenues and less on cutting spending. Sales tax on services will be seriously considered.

Democratic Speaker Andy Dillon Republican senate leader Mike Bishop will be key figures in getting anything through the legislature, and will work together pretty well.

Michigan Republicans will attempt soul searching and self-examination to find focus, similar to the process Democrats have gone through for the past few years. The internal GOP struggle could be intense.

Mike Cox, Terri Lynn Land, Candice Miller, Mike Rogers, Craig DeRoche and Mike Bouchard all will hone their public positioning with an eye on party leadership and the 2010 GOP nomination for governor.

With an open chair in 2010, Democrats also will start lining up for a chance to be governor. Their nomination is up for grabs at this point.

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IN THE TOY department: The Detroit Tigers will contend

for the playoffs, but not win the World Series. Detroit Lions will improve, and push for a playoff spot. U of M Wolverines will have another great football season, and MSU will reach the break even point in wins.

In basketball, U of M will make the NCAA tournament at last, but MSU may have to settle for the NIT.

As for a Super Bowl prediction: Not on your life.

And finally: The prediction of the Rev. Pat Robertson that an unidentified catastrophe will strike the continental United States bringing death to hundreds of thousands, probably in September, will not happen.

That's it for this year. Save this column and we'll check it out next year.

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Richard Milliman is a veteran newspaperman, and a contributing columnist to several Michigan newspapers.

EDITOR

Writer amazed at strangers offering help

To the editor:

After dinner at Spikes last Friday, we discovered our car battery had died.

I could not believe how many strangers offered to help us. Two men named "Tim" pitched in and while one Tim removed the battery (which was quite difficult) the other Tim drove my husband to the auto parts store.

When they returned with the new battery, it was quickly installed and we were on our way.

Also, there was a great gentleman who trusted us with his tools while he was inside Spikes having his dinner.

I am proud of our community. Harold and Barbara White Grayling

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The opinions expressed in the letters and columns on this page are solely those of the writer and do not necessarily reflect the views of *The Avalanche*.

Your views are welcome on the Opinion Page. Letters may be typed or handwritten, but please double-space, or use every other line and limit to 500 words.

Every letter must be signed and an address and telephone number must

be included to be considered for publication. Letters will not be published without the author's name. Telephone numbers are not published.

All letters are subject to editing and will be printed as space allows.

Deadline for submission of letters to the editor is Friday at noon for consideration for publication in the following week's paper.

VIEWPOINT

By Robert Jones, Superintendent COOR I.S.D.

January is School Board Recognition Month

The month of January marks the annual observance of School Board Recognition Month, a time to salute the work of school board members and celebrate public education.

The theme of this year's celebration, "School Boards Make A World of Difference," reflects our combined commitment to leadership and accountability, assuring that all children succeed.

In the COOR I.S.D. area, school board members must

develop policies and make tough decisions on complex educational issues impacting the entire community. They bear the responsibility for annual budgets, students, employees and school buildings. They carry out the truest form of representative government in our democracy - volunteer public service, and preserve the core of our democratic land - public education.

Too often we neglect to recognize the dedication and hard

work of these men and women who represent us. I invite you to recognize and celebrate the work of your school trustees. Invite them out for coffee. Ask how you might help support your local neighborhood schools. Write your school board members a thank you note. Let them know you appreciate what they do for students in the COOR I.S.D. area.

The men and women serving the districts within the COOR I.S.D. are:

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COOR Intermediate School District - Lois Byrd (Roscommon), Robert Carpenter (Mio), Bernadine Dosch (Grayling), William Langendorfer (West Branch), Julie Markiewicz (Houghton Lake), Nancy Persing (Grayling), and Rodney Robertson (Rose City).

Historically Speaking



The above picture, taken in 1918, is of the inside of the South Side Store that was located at 200 State Street. The store was owned by Rivet Marshall Atkinson.

Photo Courtesy of the Crawford County Historic Museum

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BRIEFS

COA to host speakers

On Tuesday, Jan. 16, following dinner at 5 p.m., the Grayling Senior Center, 308 Lawndale, will have Jerry Gosnell from Senior Investment speak on reverse mortgage. On Thursday, Jan. 18, following dinner 5 p.m., speaker Kristen Lagerquist, from Americorps presents "Life's Better With A Mentor" program. Topics covered will be the mentoring program, today's youth, the definition of mentoring, is mentoring effective, and how the Crawford County COA can help. For information or transportation call Elouise Mize at 348-7123.

The Merling Trio to perform at high school

The Merling Trio will perform as part of the Grayling Promotional Association Entertainment Series on Thursday, Jan. 11, at the Grayling High School Auditorium at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are available for \$12 adults and \$10 senior/students at the Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce or at the GHS Auditorium door. For more information call the Grayling Chamber at 989-348-2921.

COA to go to Petoskey

On Thursday, Jan. 18, the senior center, 308 Lawndale, will be taking a group to Petoskey for lunch at Whitecaps with shopping in the Historic Gaslight District to follow. The cost for the trip is \$10 and the bus will leave the center at 10 a.m. For information, transportation, or reservations call Elouise Mize at 348-7123.

SDA school to sell fruit

The Grayling Seventh Day Adventist School is selling citrus fruit by the box for the months of Jan. - Mar. To place an order call 348-5491 by Friday, Jan. 12.

VASA races benefit women's cancer fund

Top-class ski competition, a beautiful course and community compassion once again get on track at the 31st Annual North American VASA Festival of Races Feb. 9 - 11 in Traverse City.

A portion of each entry fee will benefit Munson Medical Center's Women's Cancer Fund. "It's a fund that originally was established by the Traverse City Track Club," said Bob Stanton, director of Cancer Services. "We're blessed that for the fifth year in a row, VASA organizers have chosen to benefit this fund. It meets needs for women undergoing cancer treatment when no other resources are available."

Fund money has been used to pay rent, provide childcare during chemotherapy sessions, food, heating fuel, and put medical equipment into the home, Stanton said. Last year the race raised \$1,400 for the fund and featured 791 participants ranging in age from 3 to 80.

This year's races once again are part of the American Ski Marathon Series, events that include the top 14 ski marathons stretching from New Hampshire to Alaska, said VASA President Pete LaPlaca. Registration for the races is under way and those

who register before Jan. 10 pay \$31 for either the 50-kilometer or 27-kilometer races. Races feature classic and freestyle competition. Online registration is available.

Fees increase to \$50 for distance races between Jan. 11 and Feb. 1, and to \$60 between Feb. 2 - 9. Entry fees on race day, Saturday, Feb. 10 will be \$70.

Other skiers are invited to try a 12-kilometer course. Fees are \$20 per person or \$50 for a family. The same rates apply to a Touring Class fee. Junior VASA races are \$5 per person and offer competition for children in five different age groups.

A Gran Travers 6-kilometer and 16-kilometer classic races are Sunday, Feb. 11. The 6-kilometer event is new this year. Fee is \$25.

All races will begin and end at Timber Ridge RV and Recreation Resort, 4050 Hammond Road, Traverse City. Registration and packet pickup begins at noon on Friday, Feb. 9 at the resort. LaPlaca said there also are lots of opportunities for volunteers who want to help with the races.

For more information or to register, contact (231) 938-4400 or www.vasa.org.

Kirtland set to host Motown tribute

The Kirtland Center for the Performing Arts, located on the main campus of Kirtland Community College near Roscommon, is bringing the legendary sounds of Motown to northern Michigan on Saturday, Jan. 27.

The Las Vegas Tribute to Motown will bring its musical talents to KCPA for one show on Jan. 27 starting at 8 p.m. The audience will be entertained as they once again hear some of their favorite songs and feel the magic of Motown memories, as Ron Stevens, Redd Williams, Daniel Mitchell and Erskine Walcott portray "The Four Tops."

Roz Thomas and The Standins will help people relive hits by "The Supremes." Thomas will also portray music legend "Diana Ross." Add that to the thrills of Nate Evans, Grady Herrell, Terence Dawson, Curtis Taylor and Dennis Inman in their roles as "The Temptations." And all this will be backed by the music of The Las Vegas All-Stars.

Ticket prices are \$28 and \$26 in advance, and \$30 and \$28 the day of the show. Group, senior and student rates are available.

Fund raising banquet to be held for wild turkey conservation

Help support wild turkey conservation by attending the Hunting Heritage Super Fund Auction and Dinner, hosted by the Beaver Creek Gobblers Chapter of the National Wild Turkey Federation (NWTf). This event will be held Feb. 17, at the Grayling Eagles Club, doors open at 5:30 p.m.

All ticket holders will be eligible to win valuable prizes exclusive to NWTf events. Place the highest bid and you could go home with sporting art, hunting guns, knives, calls, outdoor equipment and more.

Tickets are \$45 single and \$65 couple. Your membership will help the NWTf support wildlife management on public, private and corporate lands and preserve hunting as a traditional North American sport.

In 1973, when the NWTf was

KPCA officials are also pleased to announce that, beginning with the Jan. 27 performance of The Las Vegas Tribute to Motown and continuing throughout the remaining performance season, child care will be available through the college's Child Care Center. The cost of the service is \$5 for the first child, or \$10 for two or more children.

"This is a great opportunity to bring the whole family to a Kirtland production and know that the children are being taken care of with age appropriate activities designed just for them," said KCPA director Don Wray.

The Child Care Center, located on campus just a few hundred yards from the KCPA, will open at 7 p.m. the night of a performance, enabling parents to drop off their children, attend a concert and pick them up immediately following the evening's activities.

To purchase tickets or for more information regarding child care services, please call the KCPA Ticket Office at 989-275-6777. Persons may also purchase tickets by visiting online at www.kirtland.edu/kcpa.

founded, there were an estimated 1.3 million wild turkeys and 1.5 million turkey hunters. Thanks to the work of wildlife agencies and the NWTf's many volunteers and partners, today there are more than 7 million wild turkeys and almost 3 million turkey hunters. Since 1985, the NWTf and its cooperators have spent more than \$230 million upholding hunting traditions and conserving more than 11.3 million acres of wildlife habitat.

If you want to join the nation's fastest growing and most progressive single species conservation organization today, reserve your tickets by calling Brian Brown at 989-275-1426 or Dennis Ryan at 989-348-8338.

For more information about the NWTf, log on to www.nwtf.org, e-mail them at nwtf@nwtf.net or call (800) THE-NWTf.

Department of State office to close for Martin Luther King holiday

Secretary of State Terri Lynn Land reminds citizens that all branch offices and the Office of the Great Seal will be closed in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day on Monday, Jan. 15.

The Department of State mails notices to motorists 45 days before their driver's license or license plates expire to give them ample time to renew. Licenses and plates that expire on a day when state offices are closes, such as a holiday or weekend, can be renewed the following day without penalty.

Motorists renewing license plates can "skip the trip" to the branch office and do business by mail, or if eligible, by Internet or touch-tone telephone. Easy to follow instructions can be found with the renewal notice. License plate tabs will arrive by mail within seven business days.

With the exception of holidays, branch offices are open Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Smaller branch offices may close for the lunch hour. On Wednesdays most offices are open from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m., with those in city centers open 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. PLUS offices and SUPERICenters are open from 9 a.m. - 7 p.m. on Wednesdays. SUPERICenters also provide Saturday hours from 9 a.m. to noon.

For more information visit the

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Rural Arts and Culture Program announces workshops

The Rural Arts and Culture Program (RACP) announces seven regional workshops around the state designed to help local organizations strengthen community-building skills and stimulate cultural economic development through arts and culture. A workshop in our area will be held in Otsego County, Thursday, March 1, from 10 a.m. - 3 p.m., in the MSU Extension, First Floor Conference Room, Alpine Center, 800 Livingston Blvd., Gaylord.

Workshop topics address small town vitality, through diversity and cultural economic development as significant elements for community building, creative entrepreneurship, project and budget planning, grants and grant writing, and state resources that support arts, culture and community building with grants and services. The Rural Arts and Culture Program supports community and regionally-based collaborative projects that use arts and cultural resources to impact economic development and strengthen rural communities. Other grant programs of the Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs and Michigan

Humanities Council will be identified and county Extension services summarized. Attendees also will learn from the successes of other communities, discuss characteristics of community vitality, plan for future project management and grant-writing, and identify state resources for community use. Workshop presenters are Julie A. Avery, curator of rural life and culture, MSU Museum, and Dave Ivan, community and economic development specialist with MSU Extension-Clinton County.

The workshops are open to the public and communities are encouraged to bring teams or partners, drawing together local officials, cultural leaders, event planners, volunteers, and artists. The registration fee is \$10, and includes lunch and materials. Please register in advance to ensure space and to reserve materials. Make checks payable to: MSU Museum. Call (517) 432-3358 to register or for more details; or contact ruralarts@museum.msu.edu or averyj@msu.edu. Workshops are sponsored by the Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs.

The Bible Speaks

Lessons From Abraham's Faith

God used Romans 4 to illustrate through Father Abraham important lessons on faith. Verses 1-8 taught us that Abraham's justification was not by human works. Verses 9-12 taught us that Abraham's justification was not by religious rituals or rites. Verses 13-17 taught us Abraham's justification was not by obeying God's law. In verses 18-21 we studied the nature of Abraham's faith. Verse 18 taught us the hope of Abraham's faith: "Who against hope believed in hope, that he might become the father of many nations, according to that which was spoken. So shall thy seed be." Verse 19 taught us the help of Abraham's faith: "And being not weak in faith, he considered not his own body now dead, when he was about an hundred years old, neither yet the deadness of Sarah's womb." Verse 20 taught us the honor of Abraham's faith: "He staggered not at the promise of God through unbelief; but was strong in faith, giving glory to God." Verse 21 taught us the honesty of

Abraham's faith: "And being fully persuaded that, what he had promised, he was able also to perform."

Based upon the above truths we shall study the conclusion of God's argument in Romans 4:22-25. Abraham's faith as described above was imputed for him for righteousness. This is the reality of Abraham's faith. As Genesis 15:6 said, "6And he believed in the LORD; and he counted it to him for righteousness." The word imputed means counted for righteousness. Those of us who claim salvation by faith in God's promises as fulfilled by Jesus Christ are called the children of Abraham because we are saved by believing the same gospel. (Galatians 3:6-8).

Second, beyond the reality of Abraham's faith is the reason God's shared Abraham's faith with us in Romans 4:23-24a: "Now it was not written for his sake alone, that it was imputed to him; But for us also..." As Jesus Christ said in John 8:56: "Your father Abraham rejoiced to see my day: and he saw it, and was glad." 6Even as Abraham believed God, and it was accounted to him for righteousness. 7Know ye therefore that

they which are of faith, the same are the children of Abraham. 8And the scripture, foreseeing that God would justify the heathen through faith, preached before the gospel unto Abraham, saying, In thee shall all nations be blessed." (Galatians 3:6-8).

Third, beyond the reality and reason for Abraham's faith is the requirement for each of us in Romans 4:24,25: "But for us also to whom it shall be imputed, if we believe on him that raised up Jesus our Lord from the dead; Who was delivered for our offences, and was raised again for our justification."

"16 For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek. 17For therein is the righteousness of God revealed from faith to faith: as it is written, The just shall live by faith." (Romans 1:16,17). God has but one plan of salvation available only to those who trust fully in the person, work, and word of Jesus Christ. Pastor "B" The Bible Speaks is a paid advertisement and does not necessarily reflect the views and opinions of the Crawford County Avalanche.

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Gillies celebrate 50 years



Larry and Pat Gillies

Mr and Mrs. Lawrence Gillies, of Grayling, formerly of Westland, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Dec. 1, with a few very close family members and friends.

On the day before their grandchild's wedding, they were presented with a surprise luncheon given by their four daughters, Janet Abernethy of Howell, Sue Little of Penn Twp, Pa., Barb Rehn of Mulberry, Fla. and Deb Iverson of Simi Valley, Calif. The luncheon was held at Janet's home in Howell.

They were given a vacation package which includes their entire family of 24 people. The

bride-to-be gave them a gigantic scrapbook of their life from their Dec. 1, 1956 wedding thru the present. Their grandson and his fiancé gave them a large framed collage of their wedding memories.

Included in the group of onlookers were their 10 grandchildren and their first great-grandchild.

At the wedding of their granddaughter the next day, a special song was played for them as they danced alone on the floor.

Larry retired from General Motors in 1993 and he and his wife Pat, are now very active in their bowling league.

OBITUARIES

Jack W. Kesby

May 10, 1922 - Jan. 6, 2007

Jack W. Kesby, 84, of Frederic, passed away peacefully at home surrounded by his family on January 6, 2007.

He was born, in St. Johns, on May 10, 1922 to John W. and Jenny Alice (Wilcox) Kesby.

Jack was raised in St. Johns and in 1967 he moved to Frederic, where he worked as a lumberjack. He was an avid woodworker.

He is survived by his children: Linwood "Lin" (Pam) Hibbard of Calif., Beth Anne Kelley of Gaylord, and John W. Kesby, II (Sharon) of Fife Lake; six grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Arlene Bertke Kesby; and son George Edward Kesby.

Visitation will be held at noon on Saturday, January 18, with a memorial service to follow at 1 p.m., at the Gaylord Evangelical Free Church, with Pastor Joe Sereno officiating.

Memorials may be made to the family through the Nelson Funeral Home, P.O. Box 1548, Gaylord, MI 49734. Arrangements made by Nelson Funeral Home, Gaylord.

RANGE FIRING

Range firing scheduled for the period of Jan. 11 - 17 is as follows:

The Range 40 Complex, Air to Ground, located north of County Rd. 612, east of Guthrie Lake, south of Old State Rd. 618, and west of County Rd. F97 (Twin Bridge Rd.) will conduct live and inert bombing operations by the Air National Guard during Jan. 11 and Jan. 16 - 17.

The Range 40 Complex, located

north of County Rd. 612, east of Sherman Rd., south of Old State Rd. 618, and west of County Rd. F97 (Twin Bridge Rd.). Artillery live fire. Jan. 12-14.

Heavy weapons range firing is scheduled from sunrise until three hours after sunset. Due to mobilizations or critical training requirements, the Post Commander may authorize mission-firing requirements beyond this time. This firing schedule is subject to change without notice to the public.

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Sunday School... 10:30 am

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400 Michigan Ave. • 348-2974
Website: www.stm-umc.org
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Traditional Service... 8:30 & 11:15 am
Contemporary Service... 10:00 am
Sunday School (preschool - 3rd grade)... 11 am
Adult Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Children's Sunday School... 11 am
(Children Available)

Seventh Day Adventist
Pastor David Jorgensen
Phone 989-348-1909
Services held Saturday at
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(1st building on right inside camp entrance)
Saturday Church Service... 9:30 am
Sunday Sabbath School... 10:30 am
Tuesday Prayer Meeting... 7 pm

Lovells Community Chapel
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Pastor Larry Hankins
Associate Pastor Tom Louie
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Sunday School (youth & adult)... 10 am
Morning Worship... 11 am
Wed Prayer & Bible Study... 7-8 pm

Free Methodist
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Early Service... 8:30 am
Sunday School... 10 am
Morning Service... 11 am
Prayer Meeting (Wednesday)... 7 pm

Emma Lowery United Church of Christ
3474 West Park Road, Luzerne
Sunday Worship... 11 am
Adult and Youth Sunday School... 9:30 am

Hartwick Baptist
Pastor Ernie Wagner 348-1411
hartwickbaptist-grayling.org
(184) Hartwick Pines Rd. (1/4 mile west of I-75)
Sunday School... 9:45 am
Morning Worship... 11 am
Evening Worship... 6 pm
Wednesday... 7 pm

Grayling Assembly of God
Pastor Gary Weldon
701 S. I-75 Business Loop
Parishage 348-7466
Sunday School... 9:30 am
Morning Worship... 10:30 am
Evening Service... 6 pm
Family Night Adult-Youth-Children (Wed)... 7 pm

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Grayling Valley Tabernacle Church of God
Pastor Donald Gresh
(989) 627-3151
Meeting at the Primary School
Sunday... 10:30 am

This Church Directory is used by residents and visitors. If you wish to show your support for area churches, call the Avalanche at 348-6611, to be featured on this page.

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints
President David Page
600 North Elm Street, Grayling
Sacrament... 10 am
Sunday School... 11 am
Primary... 11 am
Priesthood... 12 noon
Relief Society... 12 noon

Harming Park Tabernacle
Pastor Patricia Perle 348-1278
501 E. Michigan Ave., Grayling
Sunday School... 10 am
Sunday Service, Children's Church and Youth Service... 11 am
Sunday Evening Service... 6 pm
Monday Prayer Meeting... 7 pm
Wednesday Service... 7 pm
Friday Prayer Meeting (on interpretation available) 7 pm

St. John Lutheran (ELCA)
710 Spruce Street
348-5224
Sunday School... 9:15 am
Sunday Worship... 10:30 am

Community of Christ
Pastor Ann Doty
North Down River Rd. at
1030 Glenn Rd. • 348-9751
Church School... 9:45 am
Practicing... 11 am
Midweek Service Prayer... 7 pm

St. Mary's Roman Catholic Community
Robert W. Nalley, J.V., Pastor
Parish Office • 701 Spruce • 348-7657
Saturday Evening Masses... 4:30 pm
Sunday Masses... 10:00 am

St. Francis Episcopal
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Morning Prayer Two-PH... 8:30 am
Baptism (Wed)... 8:30 am
Sunday Holy Baptism... 8:30 & 10:30 am

Resurrection Life Fellowship
Pastor Bob & Debbie Mann
Sunday Service... 10:30 am
Mid Week Service (Wed)... 7:00 pm
Wed. Prayer Meeting... 7:00 pm
Children's Church... 8:30 am
Sunday 11:15 am, 1:15 pm, 3:15 pm, 5:15 pm, 7:15 pm
Phone: 989-348-9742 or 989-821-6722
E-mail: resurrectionslff@earthlink.net

Calvary Baptist Church
Dr. Robert Bennett, Pastor
M-72 West
Sunday School... 9:45 am
Morning Worship... 10:30 am
Evening Worship... 6 pm
Wednesday... 7 pm
Prayer & Bible Study (Wed)... 7 pm

Church of Christ
Old US-27 at Skyline Rd. • 275-8611
In South of the Lord's Way
Sunday Morning... 7:30 am
TV 29 & 8
Sunday Classes... 10 am
Sunday Worship... 11 am
Sunday Evening... 6 pm
1st Sunday Evening of every month, there is no service.
Mid-Week Bible Study (Wed)... 7 pm

Advanced Life Fellowship
Pastor Lyle Stead
211 Sackville St. • 348-5325
Sunday School... 10 am
Sunday Worship... 11 am & 6:00 pm
Wednesday Evening... 7 pm

Grayling Baptist Church
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Pastor John Scott
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Sunday School... 9:45 am
Sunday Service... 11 am
Evening Service... 6 pm
Wednesday Service... 7 pm

Beaumont Lutheran
Pastor David Rasmussen
Associate Pastor Scott Hahn
16-72 & Elm Street Lake Rd.
Sunday Church Service... 10 am & 6 pm
Sunday School... 7 pm
Bible Study (Wed)... 7 pm
Youth Group 2nd & 4th Wed... 8:30 pm

Luzerne Baptist
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Sunday School... 10 am
Sunday Morning Worship... 11 am
Sunday Evening Worship... 6 pm
Wednesday Bible Study... 7 pm

Church of the Holy Spirit
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Family Training Hour and Prayer (Wed)... 7 pm

Mt. Zion Lutheran Church (ELCA)
989-348-2921
805 N. 17th Ave. East
at the junction of M-72 & Old 27
Sunday School... 10:30 am
Sunday Morning Worship... 11:15 am
Sunday Evening Service... 6:00 pm

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Reverend Canon Robert W. Nalley
His International Center, Frederic
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The International Community Church
510 South St., Mount Pleasant, MI

Presbyterian Church
A Christian Reformed Community
Joy White, Minister
415 Oak Street, Kalkaska
Sunday Morning Worship... 10:30 am
Sunday Evening Worship... 6:00 pm
The Women's Bible Study... 7:00 pm
Wed. Men's Bible Study... 7:00 pm

MARSP Scholarship



Beverly Johnson was awarded a scholarship from the Crawford and Oscoda County Chapter of the Michigan Association of Retired School Personnel to pursue her Associate Degree in Nursing at Kirtland Community College. Pictured above from L to R: Chris Lauria, treasurer; Beverly Johnson, recipient; and Melvin (Pat) Nunn, scholarship chair from the Crawford and Oscoda County Chapter.

A City 'sinks' with ship; 'Rarest River' loses its way

by Eric Freedman
Capitol News Service

From the sinking of the Carl D. Bradley in Lake Michigan to the challenges confronting the Muskegon River, the waters of northern Michigan have long offered an array of allurements.

Two new books take advantage of that fascination.

In the young adult book "Black November", The Carl D. Bradley tragedy, Andrew Kantar recounts how the limestone carrier Carl D. Bradley took on the proverbial gales of November in 1958 and lost.

Kantar, a professor at Ferris State University, presents the story of 33 dead crew members, the rescue of the only two survivors and the impact of the disaster on Rogers City where the ship was based. Seven years later, the city would again be rocked by a shipwreck when the Cedarville sank in the Straits of Mackinac.

"Sometimes it takes a tragedy of unspeakable horror to remind us of the obvious," Kantar writes. "These ships,

while governed by the mundane, economic demands of business, operate at the mercy of nature. They carry something far more valuable than stone and ore."

A selection of photos of crew members and their survivors put human faces on the disaster.

Of the Bradley's survivors, one went back to the Great Lakes and became a ship's captain, but the other never resumed sailing. As for Rogers City, Kantar said, "life would never again be the same."

Muskegon Chronicle environmental writer Jeff Alexander tackles natural and human history in "The Muskegon: The Majesty and Tragedy of Michigan's Rarest River."

"Born in Tiny Big Creek, a spring-fed brook, the river receives water from one of the world's most scenic lakes (Higgins Lake) and Michigan's largest inland lake (Houghton Lake) before winding its way to Lake Michigan," Alexander writes. "Before Houghton Lake was surrounded by 8,000 cot-

tages and converted into a playground for powerboats, wild rice covered large areas of the huge but shallow lake.

"This is the first hint of trouble in the river."

And trouble there's been, from dams to the invasion of the sea lamprey and zebra mussel, from habitat destruction to erosion runoff caused by heavy logging. Once home to Arctic grayling and giant sturgeon, the river has witnessed the disappearance of native fish species.

Failing, obsolete dams threaten to cause flooding, but budgetary restraints and political indecision prevent their removal. Urban sprawl and development put pollution-related and other ecological pressures on the river.

Alexander ends the book with a lyric plea to readers for action:

"Go to its edge, focus on the bounty of the Muskegon and imagine all that lives in it, listen for its voice as the water slips over rocks and around trees. Let its current restore a sense of

harmony in your life. After you leave the Muskegon, return the favor—do your part to restore and protect the natural harmony of this spectacular, endangered river."

Grayling physician to lead Hospitalist team

Well-known Grayling physician, Charles G. Todoroff, M.D., will become Medical Director of Internal Medicine Services at Mercy Hospital Grayling in April.

Dr. Todoroff has been in private practice in the Grayling community and started the Hospitalist program at Mercy Hospital Grayling in 1991. He will lead the Hospitalist team—a group of Internal Medicine physicians who specialize in caring for hospitalized patients. Dr. Todoroff will provide direct oversight and participate in delivery of clinical services for medical inpatients, selected pre-surgical assessments, and Emergency Department patients needing Internal Medicine consultation or admission.

"We are delighted to have a physician with Dr. Todoroff's skills and expertise dedicated to leading the Hospitalist program," said Stephanie Riemer-Matuzak, CEO of Mercy Hospital Grayling. "Dr. Todoroff brings many years of private practice experience to this role. He is well known for his high quality patient care and expertise in

Internal Medicine, and he is respected as a leader among his medical staff colleagues."

When Dr. Todoroff helped create the Hospitalist program 15 years ago, it was one of the first of its kind in the nation. Hospitalists specialize in the care of hospitalized patients and do not maintain an outside private practice. They are able to devote their full time and attention to patients in the hospital and have additional training in caring for inpatients.

"I look forward to this opportunity to concentrate specifically on inpatient care, serving many of my current patients when they are in need of hospital care as well as many other patients from

the area," said Dr. Todoroff. "I also have a particular interest in facilitating positive relationships between office-based primary care physicians and the hospitalist care team."

Dr. Todoroff and his office staff will assist current patients in establishing a relationship with a new primary care provider. His transition away from private practice will occur gradually until April in order to best meet the needs of his current patients. His office will close permanently on March 30. Although he will no longer maintain an office-based practice, Dr. Todoroff will be a key member of the inpatient team that his patients can count on when they need hospital care.

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87TH DISTRICT COURT

Sentencings for December 2006

Hon. Janet M. Allen
Robert Nicholas Harper, age 25 of Gaylord - Sentenced on Dec. 11, 2006 for malicious destruction of personal property less than \$200; ordered to pay \$640 in fines and court costs and \$1,520 in restitution; placed on probation for 365 days.
Hon. John G. Hunter
Greg Martin Kalonich, age 19 of Grayling - Sentenced on Dec. 15, 2006 for retail fraud third-degree; ordered to pay \$610 in fines and court costs and \$4.50 in restitution.
Nancy Marie Walker, age 49

of Grayling - Sentenced on Dec. 19, 2006 for operating while intoxicated; ordered to pay \$950 in fines and court costs or serve 95 days in jail; placed on probation for 182 days.

Troy Anthony Wilson, age 17 of Grayling - Sentenced on Dec. 12, 2006 for careless driving; ordered to pay \$190 in fines and court costs.

Adam Kurt Jameson, age 41 of Grayling - Sentenced on Dec. 12, 2006 for license suspended/revoked-allowed another suspended person to operate; ordered to pay \$270 in fines and court costs or serve 27 days in jail.

Andy Paul Coy Jr, age 22 of Grayling - Sentenced on Dec. 27, 2006 for sex offenders-failure to comply with reporting; ordered to pay \$665 in fines and court costs or serve 66 days in jail.

James Wyatt Skogman, age 41 of Frankfort - sentenced on Dec. 27, 2006 for license suspended/revoked-allowed another suspended person to operate; ordered to serve 20 days in jail with credit for 20 days served; ordered to pay \$45 in fines and court costs.

Magistrate Camarin Talarico
Mark Louis Franklin, age 32

of Grayling - Sentenced on Dec. 27, 2006 for license suspended/revoked-allowed another suspended person to operate; ordered to pay \$310 in fines and court costs or serve 31 days in jail.

Richard Floyd Heintz, age 59 of Pigeon - Sentenced on Dec. 13, 2006 for antlerless/antlered deer violation; sentenced to serve five days in jail; ordered to pay \$475 in fines and court costs and \$1,000 in restitution.

Richard Floyd Heintz, age 59 of Pigeon - Sentenced on Dec. 13, 2006 for hunter orange section violation; ordered to pay \$175 in fines and court costs.

Andrew Steven Langowski, age 30 of Grayling - Sentenced on Dec. 13, 2006 for antlerless/antlered deer violation; sentenced to serve five days in jail; ordered to pay \$475 in fines and court costs and \$1,000 in restitution.

Kenneth Lee Cox Jr, age 23 of Grayling - Sentenced on Dec. 13, 2006 for shine with weapon in possession; ordered to pay \$275 in fines and court costs.

Juell Lavern Joseph Jr, age 22 of Frederic - Sentenced on Dec. 14, 2006 for shine with weapon in possession; ordered to pay \$275 in fines and court costs.

MILITARY NEWS

Army National Guard Pfc. Ryan S. Weiss has graduated

from basic combat training at Fort Jackson, Columbia, S.C.

During the nine weeks of training, the soldier studied the Army mission, history, tradition and core values, physical fitness, and received instruction and practice in basic combat skills, military weapons, chemical warfare and bayonet training, drill and ceremony, marching, rifle marksmanship, armed and unarmed combat, map reading, field tactics, military courtesy, military justice system, basic first aid, foot marches, and field training exercises.

Weiss is the son of Jerry and Janelle Weiss of Gaylord, and grandson of Diane Weiss of Grayling.

He is a 2003 graduate of Gaylord High School.

SENIOR CITIZEN NEWS

Join us for a meal, either at noon or 5 p.m. weekdays except Friday, when there is no evening meal. Please try to call for reservations at (989) 348-7123 or 1-888-355-4500, so that we know how many to plan for.

This week's menu (lunch/dinner) and activities:

Friday, Jan. 12 - Lunch - pork riblet on a bun, baked beans, coleslaw, and fresh fruit salad. No Dinner. 12 p.m. Frederic and Maple Forest satellite meal, 1 p.m. Stagette Club and Pantry Bingo.

Saturday, Jan. 13 - Foot clinic, cost is \$15.

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Monday, Jan. 15 - Lunch - oven fried chicken, hot German potato salad, green beans, and mixed fruit. Dinner - pork chops, glazed sweet potatoes, asparagus, and pears. 9:30 a.m. COA board meeting, 10 a.m. aerobics, 1 p.m. Bridge Club, 5:30 p.m. Cardo.

Tuesday, Jan. 16 - Lunch - Shepherd's pie, zucchini, cauliflower, and grapes. Dinner -

salmon patties with cream sauce, peas and carrots, green beans, and peaches. 12:45 p.m. Euchre, 5 p.m. speaker - senior investment, 5:30 p.m. Bunco.

Wednesday, Jan. 17 - Lunch - BBQ beef on bun, coleslaw, corn, and Mandarin oranges. Dinner - chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes with gravy, smothered squash, and cherry crisp. 10 a.m. line dancing, 1 p.m. Bible study, 2 p.m. caregiver class.

Thursday, Jan. 18 - Lunch - beef vegetable stew, biscuit, Brussels sprouts, and banana. Dinner - lemon pepper chicken winter blend vegetables, beets, and tropical fruit salad. 10 a.m. aerobics and craft class, Petoskey Gaslight District trip, 11 a.m. - 12 p.m. blood pressure/sugar checks, 5 p.m. speaker - mentoring, 5:30 p.m. Uno-Attack.

The Crawford County Commission on Aging's Senior Center is located at 308 Lawndale, behind Burger King in Grayling. Walk-ins are welcome.

SHERIFF'S REPORT

Crawford County Sheriff Kirk Wakefield reports his office handled the following 81 complaints the week of Jan. 1 - Jan. 7:

One delinquent minors, one run aways, two false alarms, one assault and battery/simple assault, two burglaries/home invasions, four larcenies, one obstructing police, 11 public peace/disorderlies, one OUIL/UBAL, one operating while intoxicated, six health and safeties, three miscellaneous criminal offenses, two miscellaneous arrests, 12 traffic acci-

dents, one accident non-traffic, one motor vehicle-vehicle identification number-school bus, nine civil matters/family disputes, eight suspicious situations, one suicide, one missing persons, seven general non-criminal complaints and five driving violations/driving while license suspended.

Sheriff Wakefield asks: "Do you know where your children are? Please remember, our children are our future."

For more information, log on to: www.crawfordsheriff.org.

LIBRARY NEWS

Devereaux Memorial Library

Need to take a little trip? Visit different countries, experience new cultures with stories, crafts and music during the Passport Around the World program to be held at the Devereaux Memorial Library. The program will cover on Thursday, Jan. 18, at 3:30 p.m., North America;

Tuesday, Jan. 23, at 3:30 p.m., Europe; Thursday, Jan. 25, at 3:30 p.m., Africa and South America; and Saturday, Jan. 27, from 10 a.m. until 12:30 p.m., Oceania and Asia.

This is a family program for all ages. No sign up needed. Passports available at library at first session.

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AP Scholar Awards

Three graduates of Grayling High School Class of 2006 have earned the designation of AP Scholar by the College Board in recognition of their exceptional achievement on the college-level AP exams.

The College Board's Advanced Placement Program offers students the opportunity to take challenging college-level courses while still in high school, and to receive college credit, advanced placement, or both for successful performance on the end-of-course AP Exams. Almost 14 percent of the more than 900,000 high school students in 14,000 secondary schools worldwide who took the AP Exams performed at a sufficiently high level to merit the recognition of AP Scholar.

The students qualified for the AP Scholar Awards by completing three or more AP examinations with grades of 3 or higher. The AP Scholars are:

Chelsea Currison, daughter of Larry and Shirley Currison, is a freshman at Michigan Technological University, studying mechanical engineering.

Orland Dami, son of Orland and Sandra Dami, is a freshman at Hope College, studying computer science.

Jacob Emmons, son of Jeff and Nadine Emmons, is a freshman at Michigan Technological



Chelsea Currison

University, studying software engineering and computer science.

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Kirtland Community College Officials at Kirtland Community College announced that 52 students representing 29 communities around the state were honored by being named to the president's list, and that another 82 students from 27 communities were named to the dean's list for their academic excellence during the recently completed fall 2006 semester.

To qualify for the president's list, candidates must be full-time students who earn a grade-point average between 3.8 and 4.0. Dean's list candidates must have a grade-point average of 3.4 to 3.799. Students earning the academic honors for the President's List, Fall 2006 include: Chase



Orland Dami

Barnett, Andrea Comer, Jessica Mallison, Christine McLaughlin and Brenda Nichols all of Grayling. Jason Baerlocher, Sarah Budd Kathleen Ledford, Desiree' Neveau, Rachael Oppy, Crystal Ray, Raechel Schaeffer, Jessica Struble, Lynceen Sulick, and Robert Turbiak all of Roscommon and David Essmaker of Gaylord.

Those students making the Dean's List, Fall 2006 from Grayling are Sheryl Bidwell, Andrew Brookes, Brian Gomez, Eric Isaacsen, Patrick McNally, Trisha Petersen, Juan Ramos, Matthew Smock, Adriana Thompson, and Mark Wejrowski. Mari Arakawa, Eric Branch, James Brown, Rosemary Brown, Joshua Burmester, Edwin Floeter, Brandon Galbavi, Rachel Griffin, Jill Koroleski, Michael Miller, and Suzanne Ryder, all



Jacob Emmons

from Roscommon. From Gaylord: Amber Abbe, Dania Allen, Kellie Harding, Rodney McKenzie, Kimberly Norton, and Kimberly Peck.

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Albion College

Jennifer Emmons, a sophomore majoring in biology, has been named to the Albion College dean's list for the fall 2006 semester.

Students named to the Dean's List must achieve a grade point average of 3.5 or above at the completion of the semester. This GPA must be based on at least three units in graded courses and a minimum of four units completed.

Jennifer Emmons is graduate of Grayling High School.

She is the daughter of Jeffrey Emmons and Nadine Emmons of Grayling.

HOMETOWN NEWS

Bob and Fay Bovee spent two weeks in Dublin, Ohio, from Dec. 16 -29, with their daughter and family, Bruce Goll and Dena

Bovee and Doria. They flew from Grayling to OSU airport in Columbus and returned on a North Country Aviation plane.

While they were there, they called Dewey Courtts, a former Grayling resident and also celebrated Bruce's birthday on the 28th.

NEMCSA RSVP welcomes new volunteer stations

Houghton Lake Travel Bureau and Grayling Head Start have been added to the list of volunteer stations, bringing the total to 58 area non-profit organizations including schools, medical facilities and local government agencies that have formed community partnerships with the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) sponsored by Northeast Michigan Community Service Agency, Inc (NEMCSA).

This information was present-

ed to the RSVP Community Advisory Group by Carol Stouffer, RSVP Services Coordinator, at the quarterly meeting held recently at the AuSable River Center in the Village of Roscommon.

"We are also in the process of adding Houghton Lake Middle School as a new site," Stouffer added.

Stouffer explained that five new volunteers have joined the program with four additional

applications pending.

"RSVP has added volunteers at Collins Elementary School in Houghton Lake, Roscommon Habitat for Humanity, AuSable Primary School in Grayling, and American Red Cross' Blood Banks at Kirtland Community College, Grayling and Prudenville," she reported.

RSVP provides opportunities for seniors in Crawford and Roscommon Counties to volunteer in their communities and

serve in an area of special interest. In addition to RSVP, NEMCSA offers intergenerational volunteer opportunities in the Foster Grandparent Program and peer-to-peer volunteer opportunities in the Senior Companion Program.

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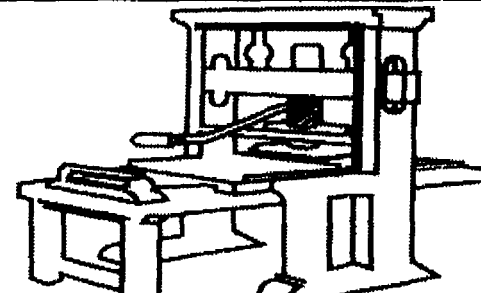
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Mickey Perez (left) and Robin Smith pose in their accounting office on Michigan Avenue. Perez will remain on staff until the end of this year, when she plans on retiring.

Accounting office of Mickey Perez under new management

by Matt Seager
Staff Writer

The accounting office of Mickey Perez, which has operated on Michigan Avenue in Grayling for decades, is transitioning into new management.

Perez, who has been an accountant in Grayling for 34 years, is retiring. Rather than simply closing shop, she is handing the reigns over to fellow accountant Robin Smith, who also runs an office in Beaverton.

Perez signed her firm over to Smith on Nov. 15, 2006, with the change taking effect on Dec. 1. Nonetheless, Perez will remain on staff until Nov. 30 of this year, giving her a full year to help both Smith and Perez's old clients make the transition.

"I'm going to be around to make sure all the clients are smoothly transferred," said Perez.

Perez and Smith are both earnest about ensuring that loyal clients, some of whom have been with Perez for 30 years, are not caught off guard by the change in management.

"(Smith's) not making any changes," said Perez.

In fact, both accountants have

an incredibly similar way of operating, right down to using the exact same accounting software, which is unusual.

"We are generally a lot alike," said Smith.

All the original services of the business will remain, including business planning and consulting. The office will also feature the same business hours, except that it will now be open on Saturdays, too.

"When your clients call...you need to be available to them," said Perez.

The current office staff will also remain in place.

"(They are) very good ladies to work with, definitely," said Smith.

Smith, has been an accountant for 20 years, said her reason for adding the new office was just "expanding my business."

"Beaverton and Grayling aren't that far apart, but it's far enough to have a different client

base," said Smith.

Since Beaverton is comparable in size to Grayling, Smith said she is used to working with small town businesses.

"I like the idea of a small community and getting to know the business owners here and getting involved in the community," said Smith.

Perez believes that her successor has the right attitude.

"You have to like a small town if you want to do well in a business like this," said Perez.

Smith said the primary challenge of taking on the new office will be "just living up to (Perez's) standards and keeping the clients happy."

Ultimately, both individuals believe that the change is a positive one.

"It should mean nothing but good," said Perez.

"I feel I've made a good choice leaving my clients in (Smith's) hands eventually."

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The Grayling Promotional Association's Entertainment Series will be presenting The Merling Trio at the Grayling High School Auditorium on Thursday, Jan. 11.

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The trio made its New York debut in Weill Recital Hall at Carnegie Hall in 1993, and was named a finalist for the Naumburg Foundation Chamber Music Award in 1994.

Members of the Trio have performed with orchestras such as the English Chamber Orchestra, the Honolulu Symphony, the BBC Scottish Symphony Orchestra, the Concerto Soloists of Philadelphia, and the South Carolina Philharmonic, under the baton of such notable conductors as Daniel Barenboim, Simon Rattle, and Christoph Eschenbach.

Recent trio performances include concerts for the Chamber Music Society of Charleston WV, the Texas Friends of Chamber Music Series, the Jewel Box Series at Northeastern Illinois University, and the Columbus, Ohio Museum of Art.

Several contemporary composers have written works for the Merling Trio, and in 1993, they



Back by popular demand The Merling Trio will perform at the GHS Auditorium as part of the Grayling Promotional Association Entertainment Series on Jan. 11. The Merling Trio musicians are (L to R): Bruce Uchimura, cello; Renata Artman Knific, violin; and Susan Wiersma Uchimura, piano.

commissioned and premiered C. Curtis-Smith's Second Piano Trio.

In residence at the School of Music at Western Michigan University, members of the trio are also faculty members at the prestigious ENCORE School for Strings, and at the Lancut Festival in Poland.

Festival appearances include the Banff Centre for the Arts, the Pensacola Summer Music Festival, the Skaneateles Festival, the Saugatuck Chamber Music

Festival, and the Fontana Festival of Art and Music. Recent educational activities include performances and master classes for the California Music Teachers Association, the Music Teachers National Association, the Hawaii International Arts and Humanities Conference, and the American String Teachers Association National Conference.

Tickets are available, for \$12 or \$10 for seniors and students, at the Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce or at the door.

Doors open at 6:45 p.m., with the performance beginning at 7:30 p.m.

For more information on this performance or a schedule for the upcoming series call the Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce at 989-348-2921.

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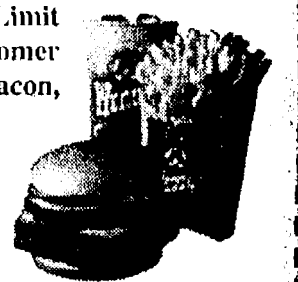
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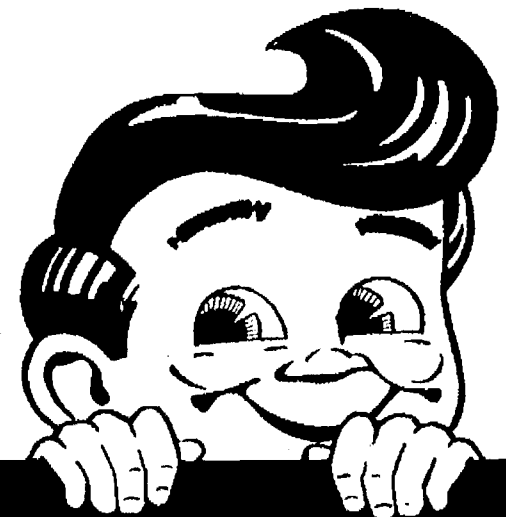
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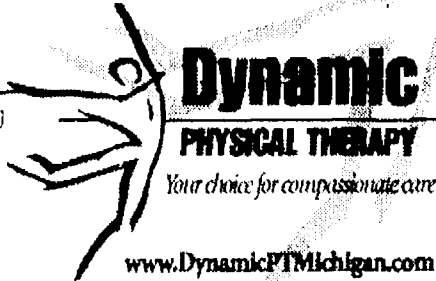
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Attorney fees issue headed to Supreme Court

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judicial needs. The justices also said that the court had to pursue benefits through negotiations and bargaining with the county boards.

The 46th Circuit Trial Court covers Crawford, Kalkaska and Otsego Counties.

The 46th Circuit Trial Court sued Crawford and Kalkaska Counties, in December, 2000, for refusing to allocate funds for the benefit plans.

Crawford and Kalkaska Counties disputed the benefits because officials said it would place unfunded liability on the counties. Crawford and Kalkaska County officials filed a counterclaim against the court, alleging fraud for misrepresenting the costs of the benefits. A claim was also filed against Otsego County, accusing officials there of colluding with the court by withholding information on the cost of the benefits.

Former 46th Circuit Trial Court Chief Judge Alton T. Davis issued a court order, forcing the counties to fund the benefits plans.

Davis was appointed to fill a

vacancy on the Michigan Court of Appeals in July, 2005.

Payment of attorney fees, which have been projected to be over \$2 million, is the only unresolved issue in the dispute.

In a Nov. 1, 2006 order, the Supreme Court directed the Michigan Court of Appeals justices to determine whether the 46th Circuit Trial Court is entitled to recover reasonable attorney fees.

In its ruling last month, Court of Appeals judges ruled that the request for addition funding for the enhanced employee benefits was not made in bad faith by 46th Circuit Trial Court. In addition, the justices said that the inherit power doctrine supplies a court with the authority to take whatever steps are reasonably necessary to fulfill the judicial function, including undertaking litigation to secure necessary funding, employing counsel and recovering reasonable attorney fees spent on that litigation.

"We recognize that our decision is inconsistent with the usual rule that attorney fees are recoverable, if at all, only by a prevailing party," Court of Appeals Justices David H. Sawyer, Richard A.

Bandstra and Michael R. Smolenski said in their opinion.

"This case presents a unique circumstance as the viability of one of our three branches of government is at issue. The judicial branch, which has no independent financial means to undertake funding litigation, must be empowered to undertake that litigation when necessary to protect the judicial function."

If the Court of Appeals ruling stands, Crawford and Kalkaska Counties would be responsible for paying for their attorneys as well as legal bills racked up by the 46th Circuit Trial Court. The 46th Circuit Trial Court and Otsego County, which sided with the court in the dispute, would be responsible for paying their legal fees.

Crawford and Kalkaska Counties will split the \$30,000 cost to appeal the attorney fees issue to the Michigan Supreme Court.

"We have felt strongly through this whole ordeal that we were not obligated to pay for the employee benefits and should not have to pay the attorney fees for the losing party," said Dave Stephenson,

chairman of the Crawford County Board of Commissioners.

If the latest ruling is allowed to stand, county officials believe it would intimidate local officials from challenging a court on issues due to the legal expenses involved for both sides of the case.

"Why would any of the 83 counties in the state challenge a court in a court of law - win, lose or draw - if they knew they had to pay the attorney fees on both sides," Stephenson said. "It's a bigger issue and we're saying that it needs to go to the Supreme Court to be resolved."

County and court officials had been attempting to negotiate the attorney fees amongst themselves, and both sides said they were disappointed that the talks did not get too far.

"Obviously, we're disappointed and I think their efforts would be better served trying to settle this," said Patricia A. Morse, the chief judge for the 46th Circuit Trial Court. "I don't expect there will be a different result in the Supreme Court, but certainly they have the right to have it reviewed."

KCC moves ahead with presidential search

The Kirtland Community College Board of Trustees voted 6-0, with one member absent, at a special board meeting Thursday, Jan. 4, to move forward and solicit applications and nominations in its search for the college's next president.

The search for a successor to Dr. Charles Rorie, who has served as the top administrator at Kirtland since 2000, started last fall after Rorie announced his intentions to retire as of June 30, 2007. In October, the board of trustees hired search consultant David Ponitz, president emeritus of Sinclair Community College of Ohio, to help find Kirtland's sixth president since its inception

in 1966.

Board members approved the first reading of the presidential job profile at the regular monthly meeting Dec. 14, as well as scheduling Thursday's special meeting. The profile was posted online at <http://kirtland.edu/forum>, allowing people to voice any comments or concerns they might have had relating to the proposed job profile or the presidential search.

Dale Shantz, director of human services at KCC and the board's liaison to Ponitz, said no comments concerning the content of the proposed job profile had been received prior to Thursday's special meeting.

With its action Jan. 4, the board also approved the second and final reading of the presidential candidate profile. That now paves the way for college officials to post the profile and advertise the president's post in educational and professional publications, such as "The Chronicle of Higher Education." The position will also be advertised in various weekly and daily newspapers throughout Michigan.

Trustee Denis Weiss, one of two board members on the Advisory Committee which drafted the document, said that every member of the committee was given the opportunity to help

formulate and shape the context of the presidential candidate profile.

"Everybody got a chance to speak and they did," Weiss said. "It went on till the topics were exhausted. It was done fairly."

Shantz added that Ponitz applauded the committee's efforts in crafting the profile.

"He expressed that he thought it was excellent and commended the committee for its work," Shantz said. "He commended us on working so well together."

Trustee Roy Spangler said the board should send a letter to the individual members of the Advisory Committee for their efforts, especially to those who are not directly connected to the college but have volunteered their time and talents to the process.

"That might encourage further participation," Spangler said. "You can never say 'thank you' too many times."

Also, board members approved the cancellation of the regular Jan. 18 board meeting. The next meeting will be on Thursday, Feb. 15, at 7 p.m. at the Kirtland House on the college's main campus near Roscommon.

For more information on the presidential search or the job profile, individuals may contact Shantz by calling 989-275-5000, extension 271, or via e-mail at shantzdz@kirtland.edu.

Police investigate burglaries

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away with a small amount of cash, Long said.

Items were taken from both businesses to the Grayling Crime Lab to determine if any fingerprints can be processed from the crime scenes.

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Vikings defeat East Jordan 60-41 in first game of 2007

■ **Friday night's win over Red Devils improves Grayling's league record to 2-1**

In its first game back following the holiday break, the Grayling High School varsity boys basketball team defeated the East Jordan Red Devils 60-41 in a league contest played at GHS last Friday.

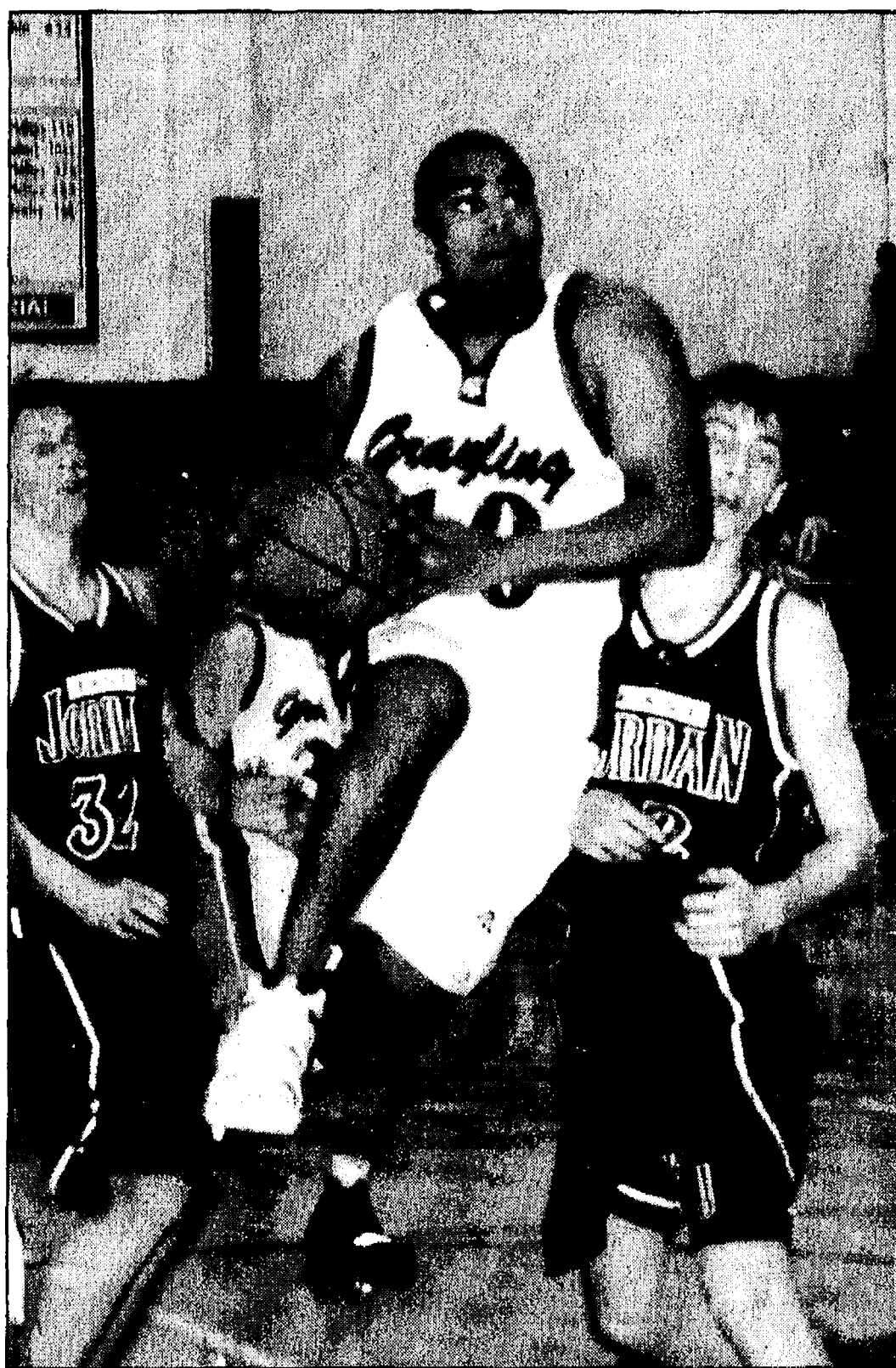
Grayling started the game with a 13-0 run, but East Jordan fought back with strong perimeter shooting, hitting four three-pointers in the first quarter. The Vikings had a 17-16 lead going into the second period. GHS led 36-30 at halftime, with 21 of East Jordan's 30 first half points coming on seven three-point shots. Grayling pulled away in the second half and won the game by 19 points, 60-41.

"Our defensive intensity improved as the game went on," Coach Rich Moffit said. "Our coaches - (Ryan) Fritz, (Chris) Kucharek, and (Butch) Hayes - saw some adjustments and our kids did a great job defensively. This was a big game and win for us. We need to continue to improve."

Leading scorers for the Vikings included: Richard Schreiber, 13 points, 4 rebounds, 8 assists, 11 steals; Steve Hodge, 10 points, 4 assists, and 3 steals; Mike Boylan, 6 points, 9 rebounds, 1

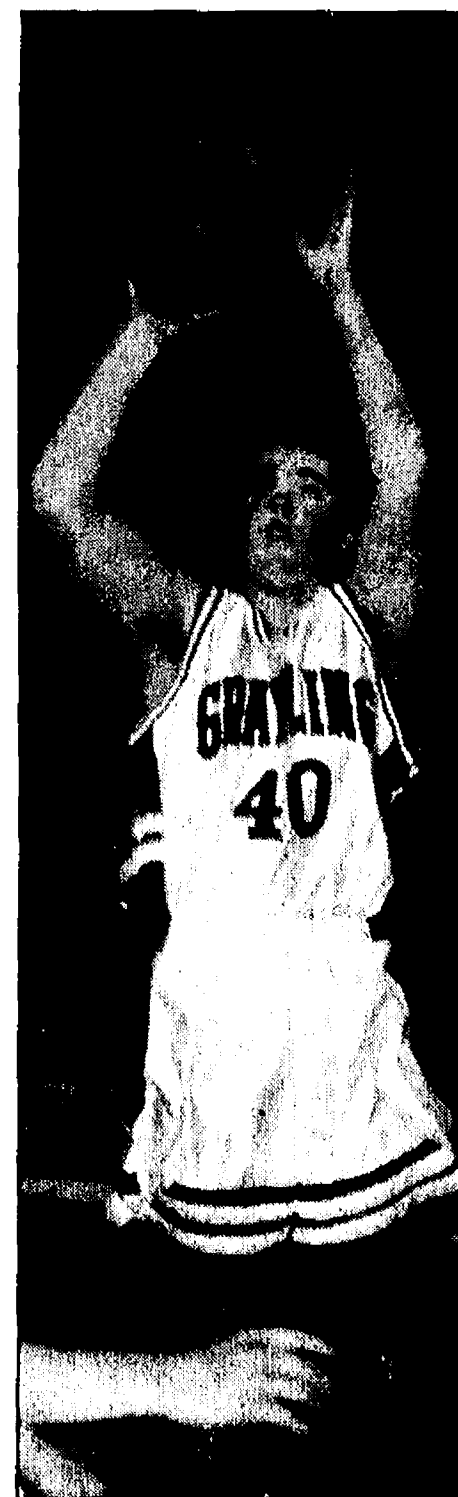
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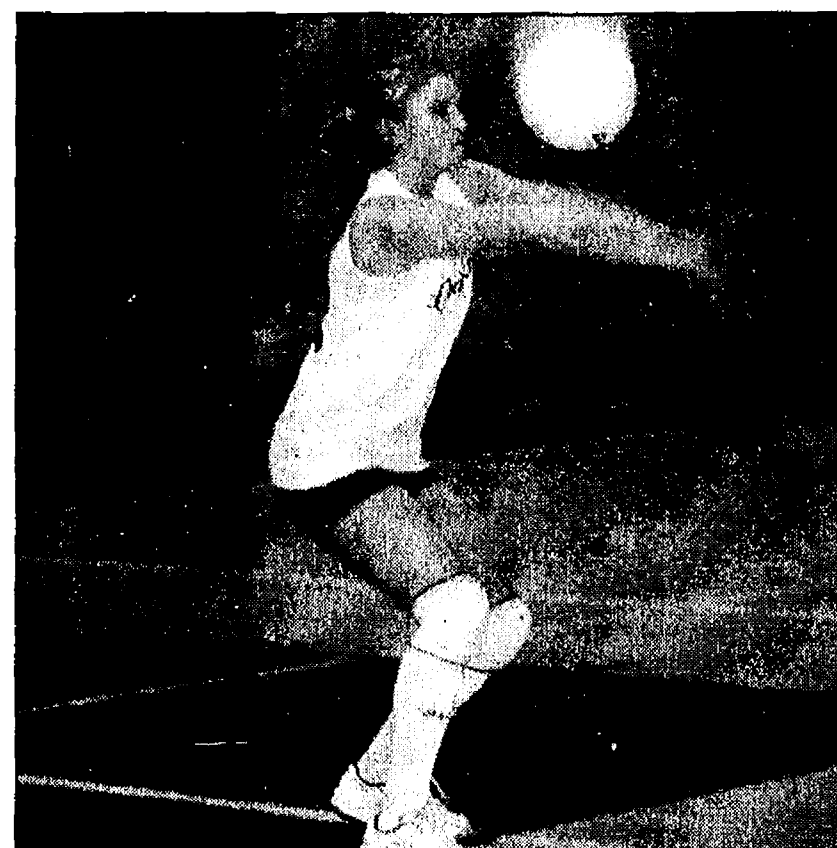
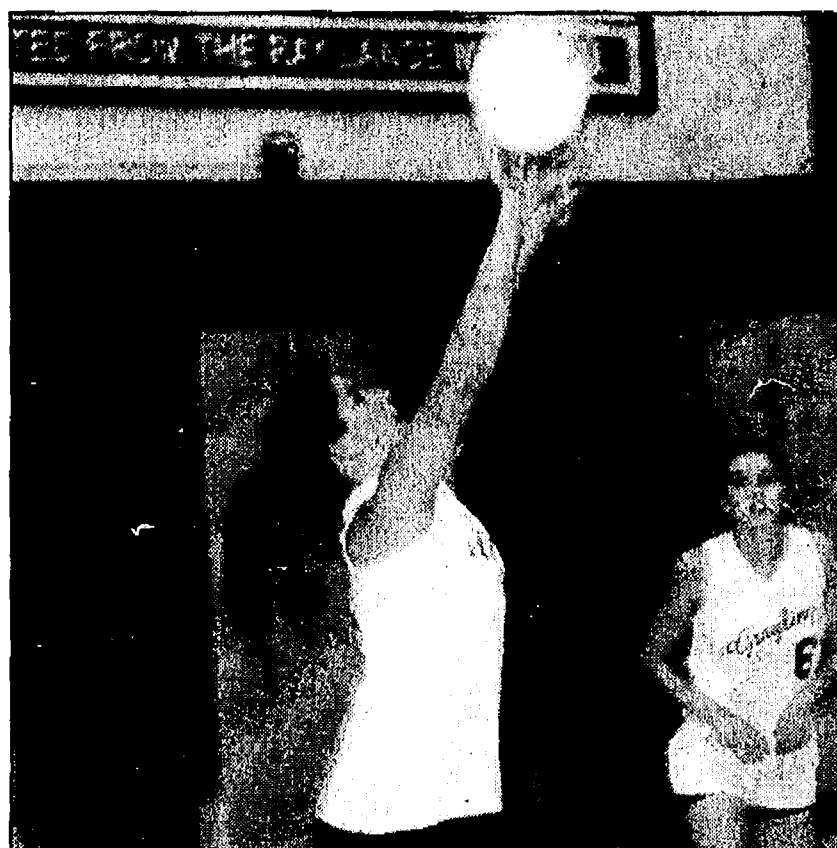
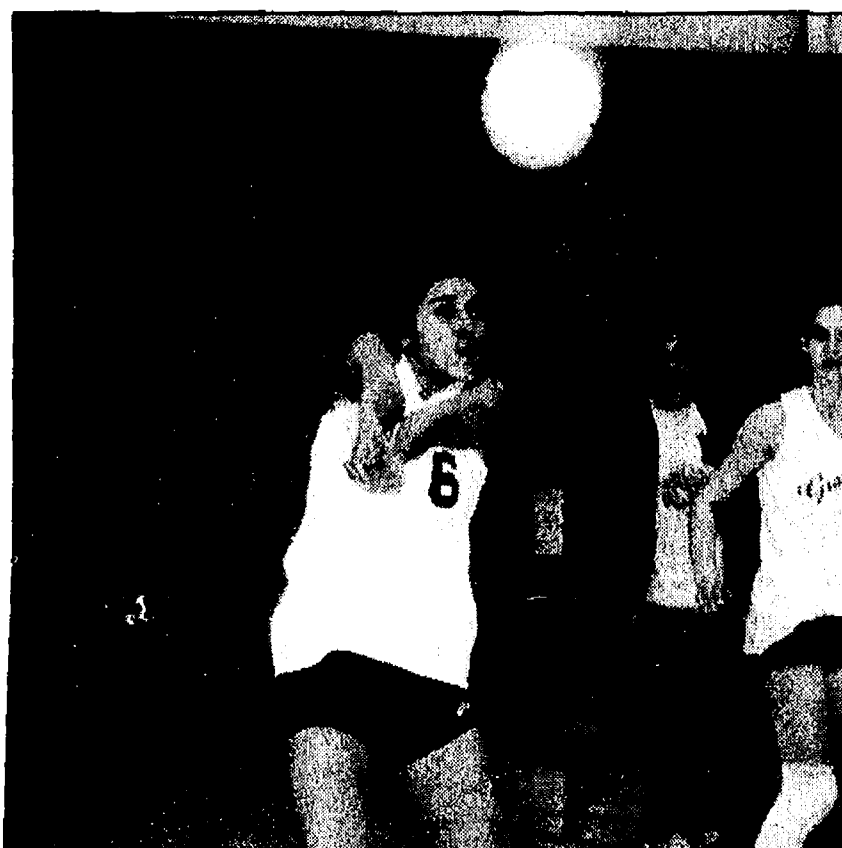
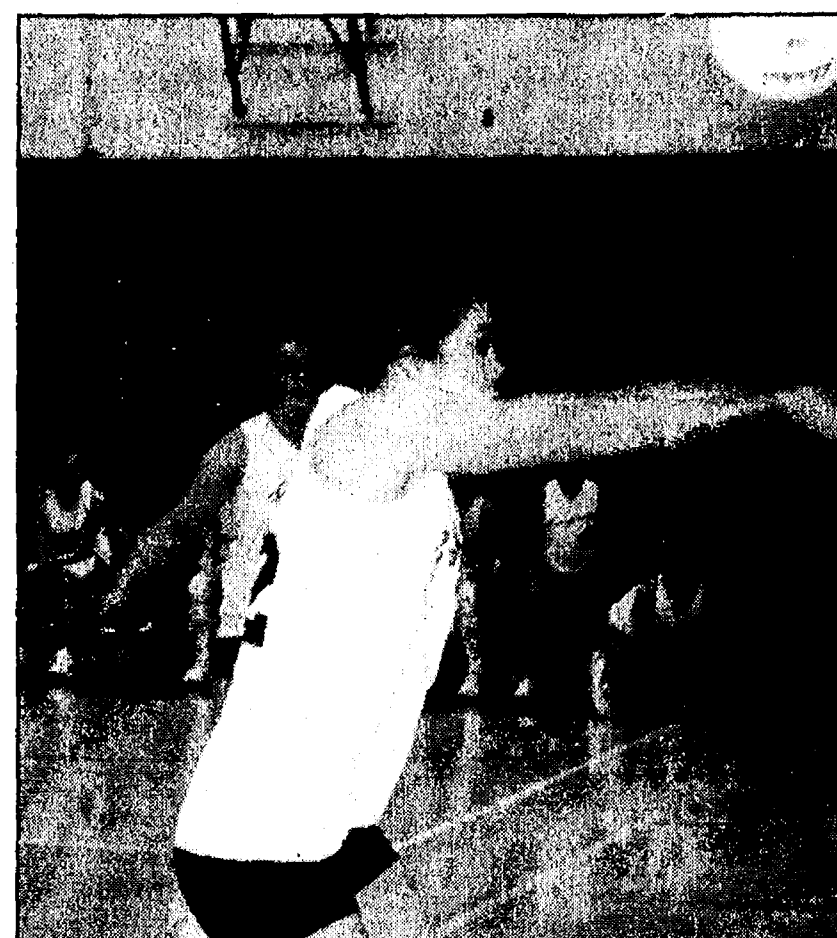
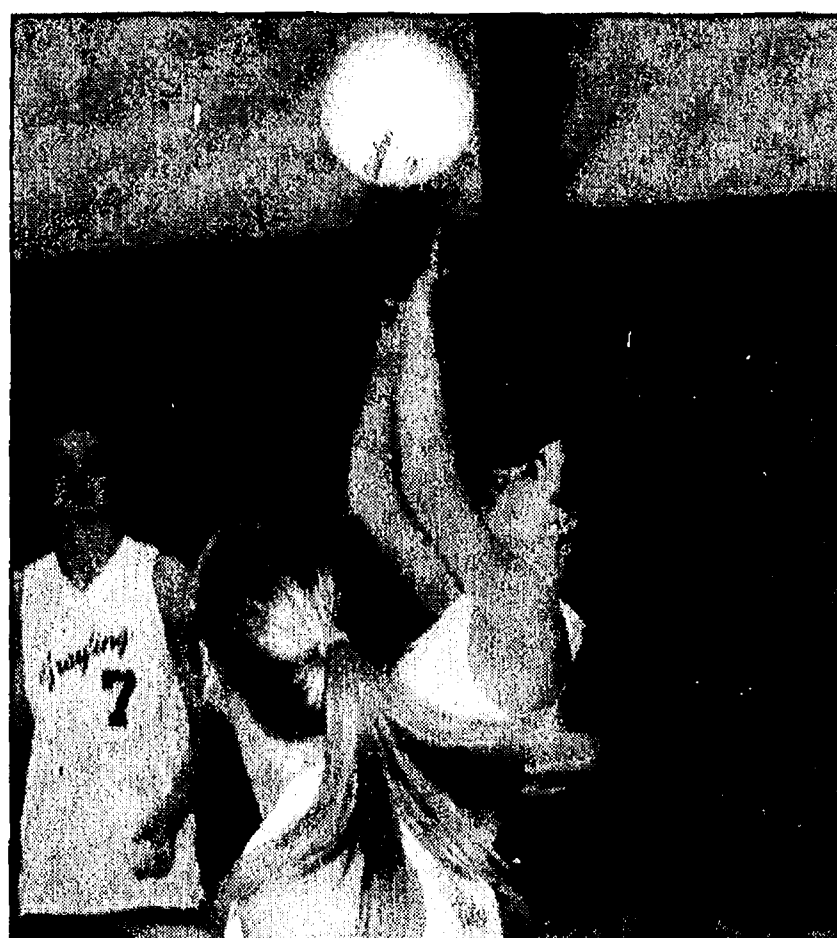
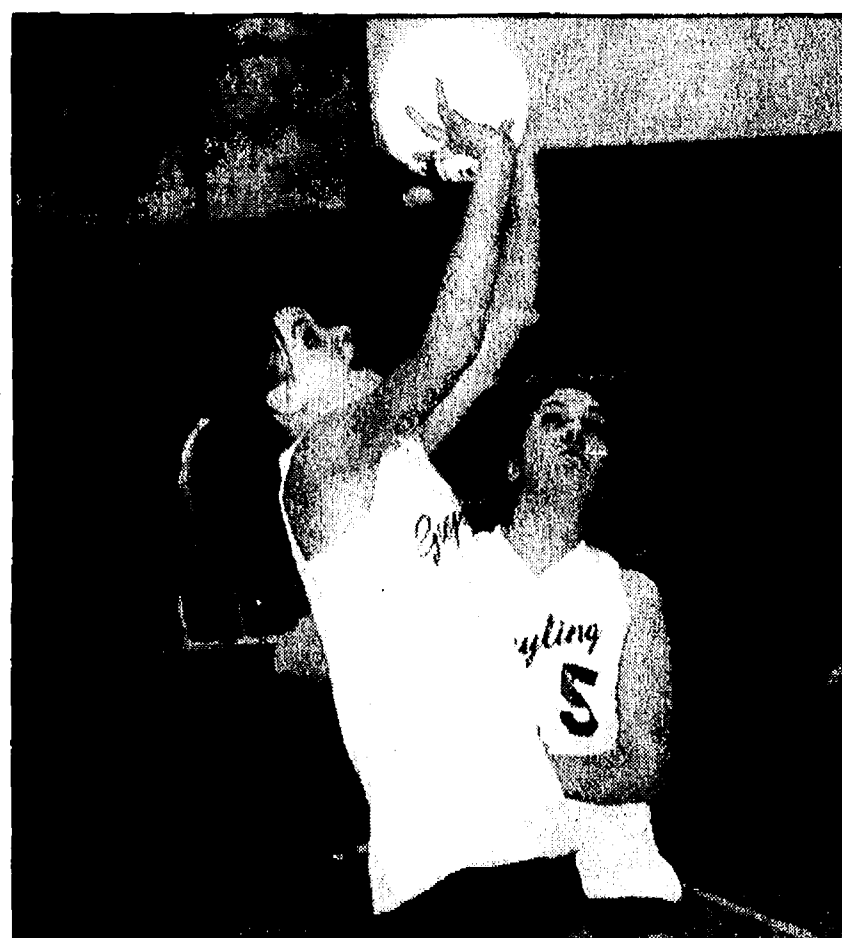
(Left) Steve Hodge drives to the basket for the Grayling Vikings during their game against the East Jordan Red Devils last Friday at GHS. (Right) Jeremiah Bootz sets up for an inside shot vs. East Jordan.

Freshman squad wins vs. Roscommon 58-45



Robby Wilson (left), Josh Johnson (second from left), and Taylor DesEnfants (third from left) handle the ball for Grayling High School's freshman boys basketball team during last Thursday's home game vs. the Roscommon Bucks at GMS. (Right) Carl Gaff shoots for the Vikings on Thursday night. Grayling won the contest by a final score of 58-45.

Varsity volleyball squad hosts Chiefs



Abby Wheeler (top left), Rachel Ward (top middle), Jessie Baker (top right), Rene Clair (bottom left), Shentele Apps (bottom middle), and Annie Melroy (bottom right) hit the ball for the GHS varsity girls volleyball squad during the team's series against Cheboygan on Wednesday, Jan. 3. The Chiefs won the meet 3-0 (25-22, 25-14, 25-22).

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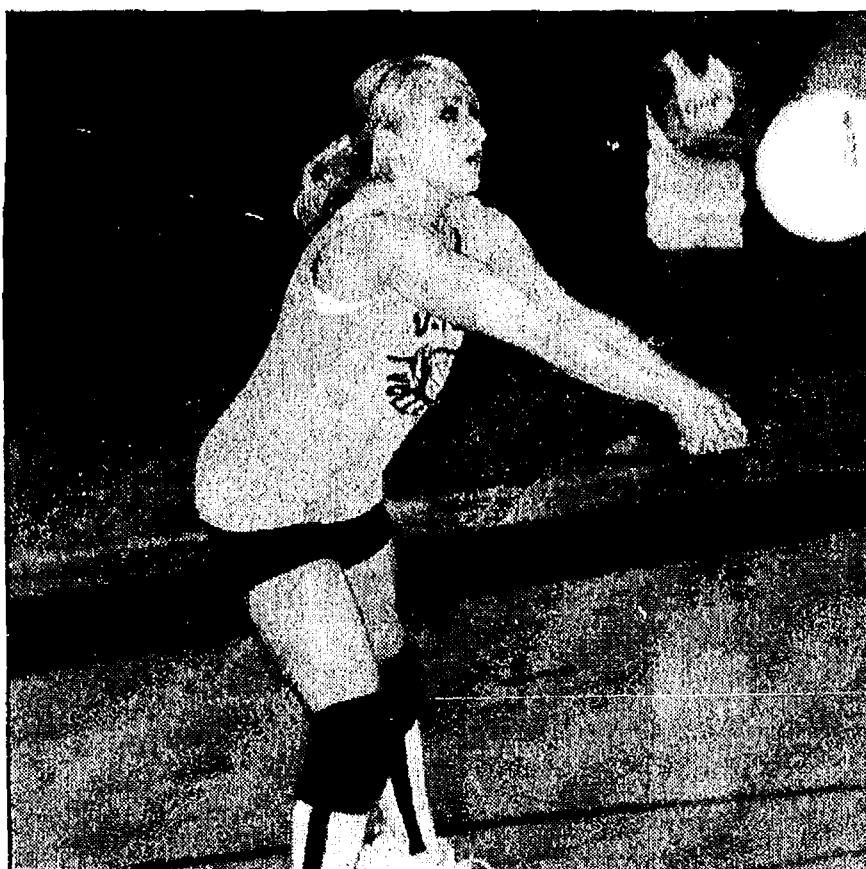
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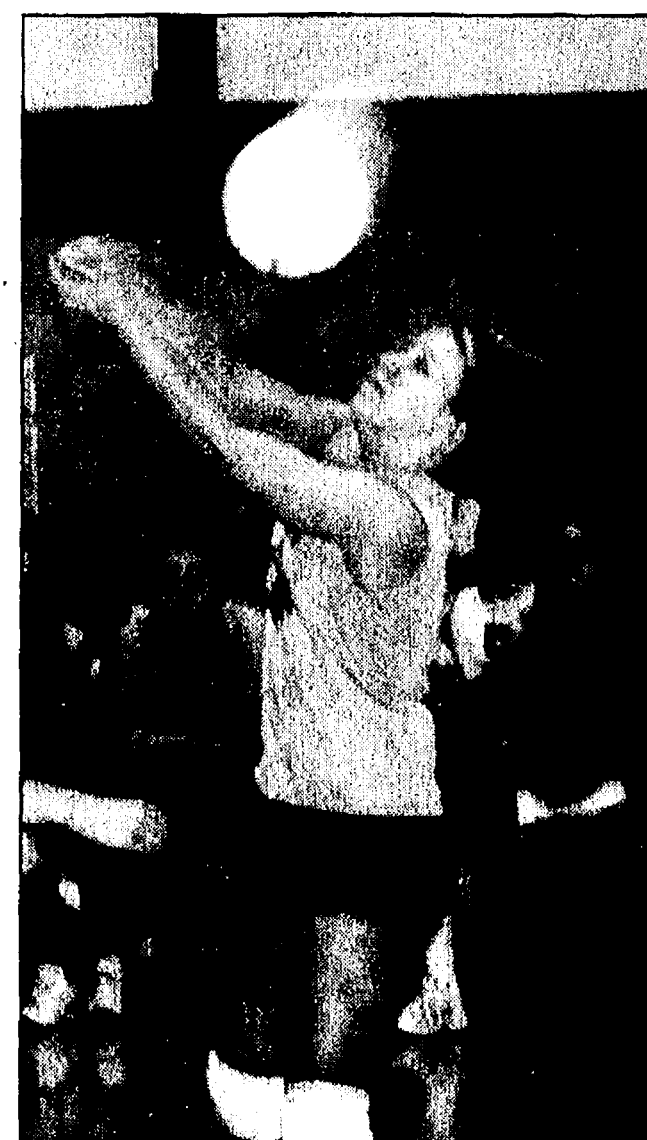
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Kayla Hawes (left) and Bethany Cornell (right) keep the ball alive for the JV Vikings during their series against the Cheboygan Chiefs last Wednesday at Grayling High School.

JV volleyball team wins series vs. Cheboygan 2-1



Ashley Feldhauser (left) and Jessica Bindchatel (right) hit the ball for Grayling's junior varsity volleyball team on Wednesday. The Vikings won the best-of-three series against the Chiefs two games to one (18-25, 25-18, 15-12).

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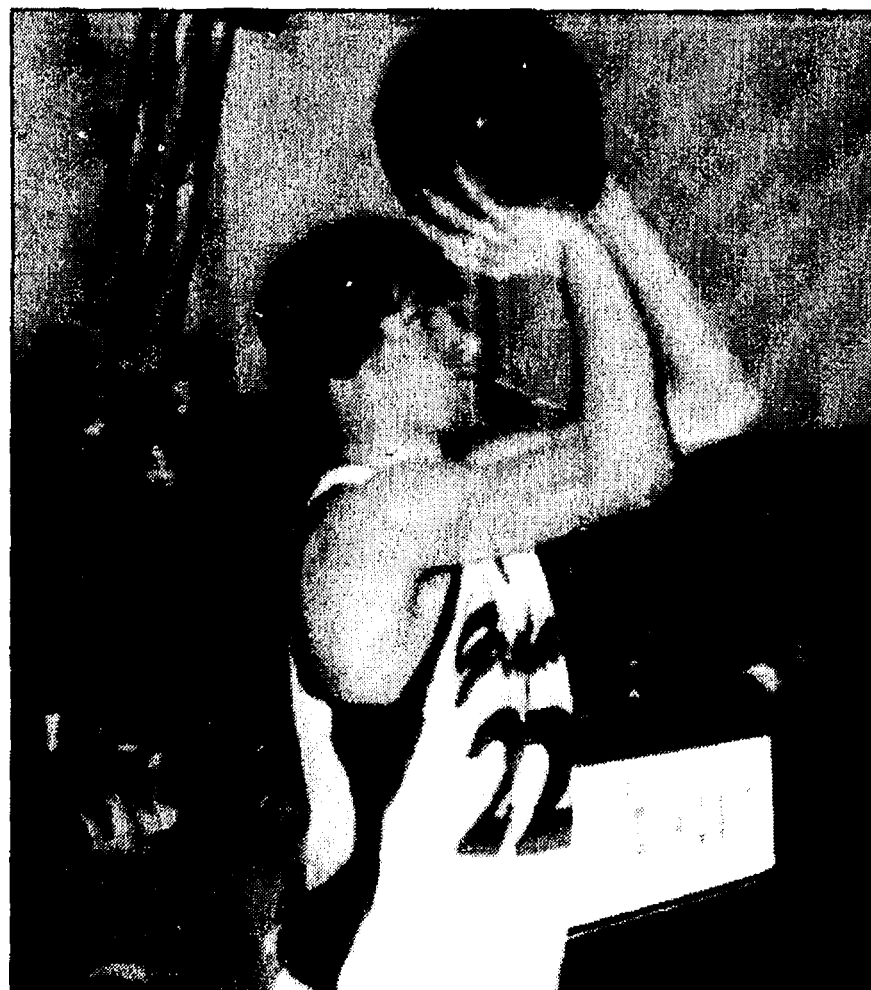
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Vikings defeat East Jordan 60-41 in first game of 2007

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 block; Jim Boylan, 6 points, 6 rebounds; Jeremiah Bootz, 6 points, 5 rebounds; Trent Larm, 6 points, 4 rebounds, 3 assists; Josh Stapleton, 6 points; Jason Drudge, 3 points; Spencer Dean, 2 points, 4 rebounds; Rocky McNamara, 2 points, 2 rebounds.
 Friday night's win improved Grayling's Lake Michigan Conference record to 2-1 (2-3 overall).
 The Vikings will host Elk Rapids on Friday, Jan. 12.



Richard Schreiber dribbles the ball for the Vikings on Friday night.



Rocky McNamara shoots the ball for Grayling during last week's game against East Jordan.



Josh Stapleton shoots for the Vikings vs. the Red Devils on Friday.

Ski team opens 2007 season with league meet

Both Vikings squads finish fifth in first ski meet of the new year

The Vikings of Grayling High School skied to a 5th place finish in both the boys and girls competitions on Thursday, Jan. 4, in their first regular season Lake Michigan Conference meet. The boys race was won by Boyne City with a score of 74.5 points and the girls race was won by Harbor Springs with 59 points.

Grayling's boys team was led by freshman Michael Olson, who placed 10th in slalom and 9th in giant slalom (GS).

"This comes after Mike took a year off of ski racing due to injuries from a snowmobile accident," Coach Brad Wagner said.

Andrew Hart and Jimmy Hilbrecht finished in the top 15 in both events. Chuck Hughes helped the team score with a 32nd place in slalom while freshman Matt Hilbrecht pitched in with a 24th in GS.

The girls were led by a strong performance from Cassie Pizzi, who had an 8th place slalom result and a 3rd place GS result. Hannah Smith finished GS in 11th place and was 19th in slalom. Senior Erica Moggo finished 15th in slalom and 13th in GS. Heaven Bergman placed 20th in GS and Hailey McMahon finished the scoring for Grayling with a 27th in slalom.

"This was the first time that

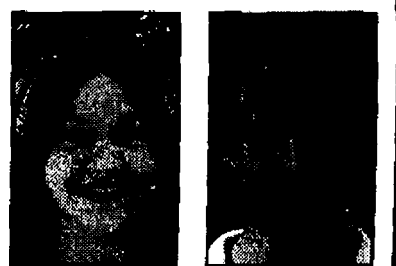
we saw snow as a team - considering that, I'm pleased with the results. Cassie Pizzi has been training hard this year and her results show from this first meet. Mike Olson is skiing on form considering his hiatus last year while recovering," Coach Wagner said.

The Vikings will compete in a Lake Michigan Conference meet at Boyne Mountain on Thursday, Jan. 11.

Paul Olson

Municipal Undersecretary of Michigan

Vikings of the Week



Cassie Pizzi

Mike Olson

Skiing

Coach: Brad Wagner

CASSIE PIZZI & MIKE OLSON

Cassie finished 3rd in giant slalom and 8th in slalom in the team's first meet of 2007. Mike finished 10th and 9th. "Cassie has put a lot of work into her skiing so far this year and it obviously shows from her results this week. Mike placed top 10 in both events as a freshman. This comes on the heels of a year off of skiing. He has a lot of natural talent and loves competing. It's great to have him back in our program," their coach said.

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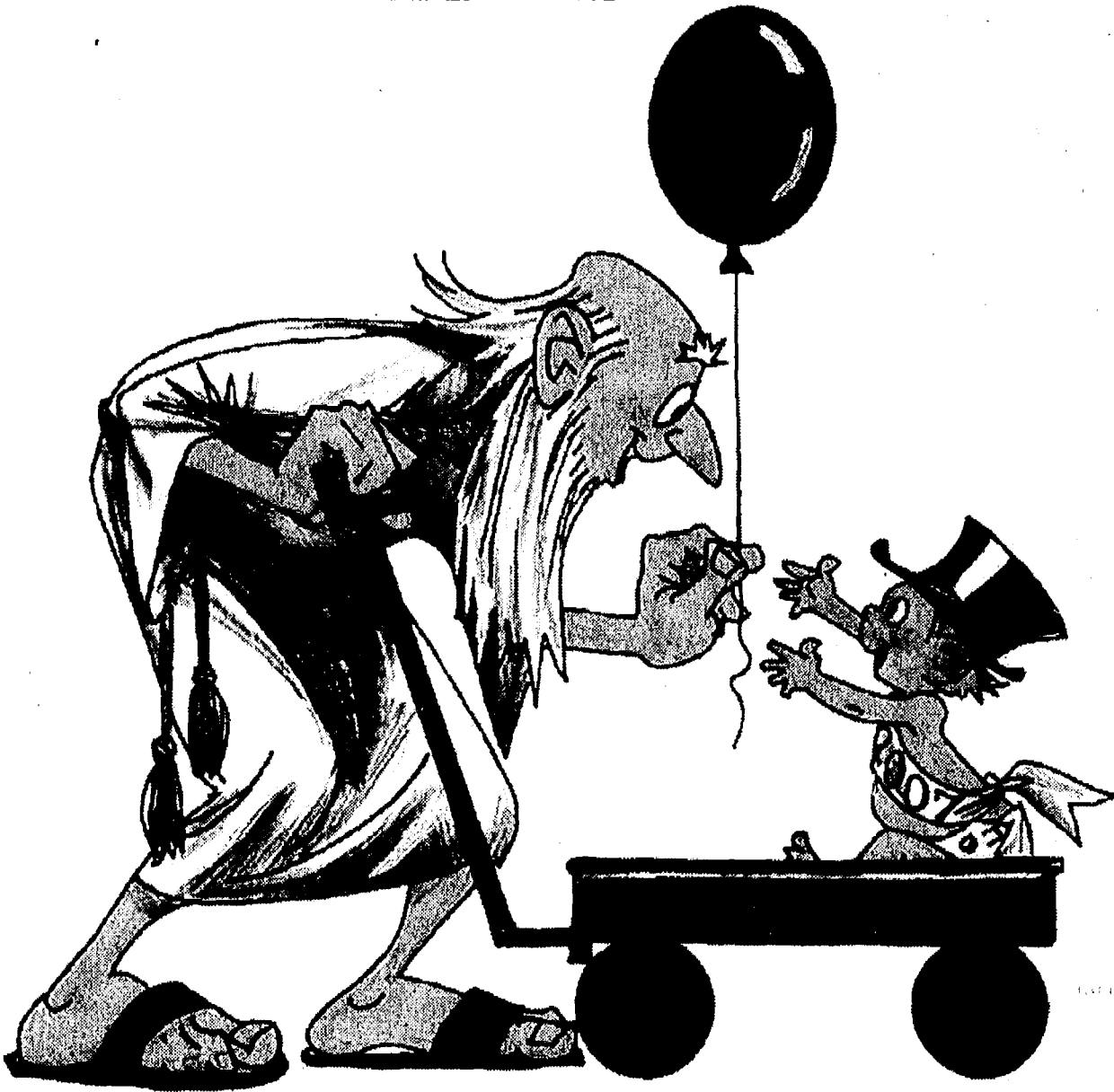
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JV basketball squad falls to East Jordan 63-53

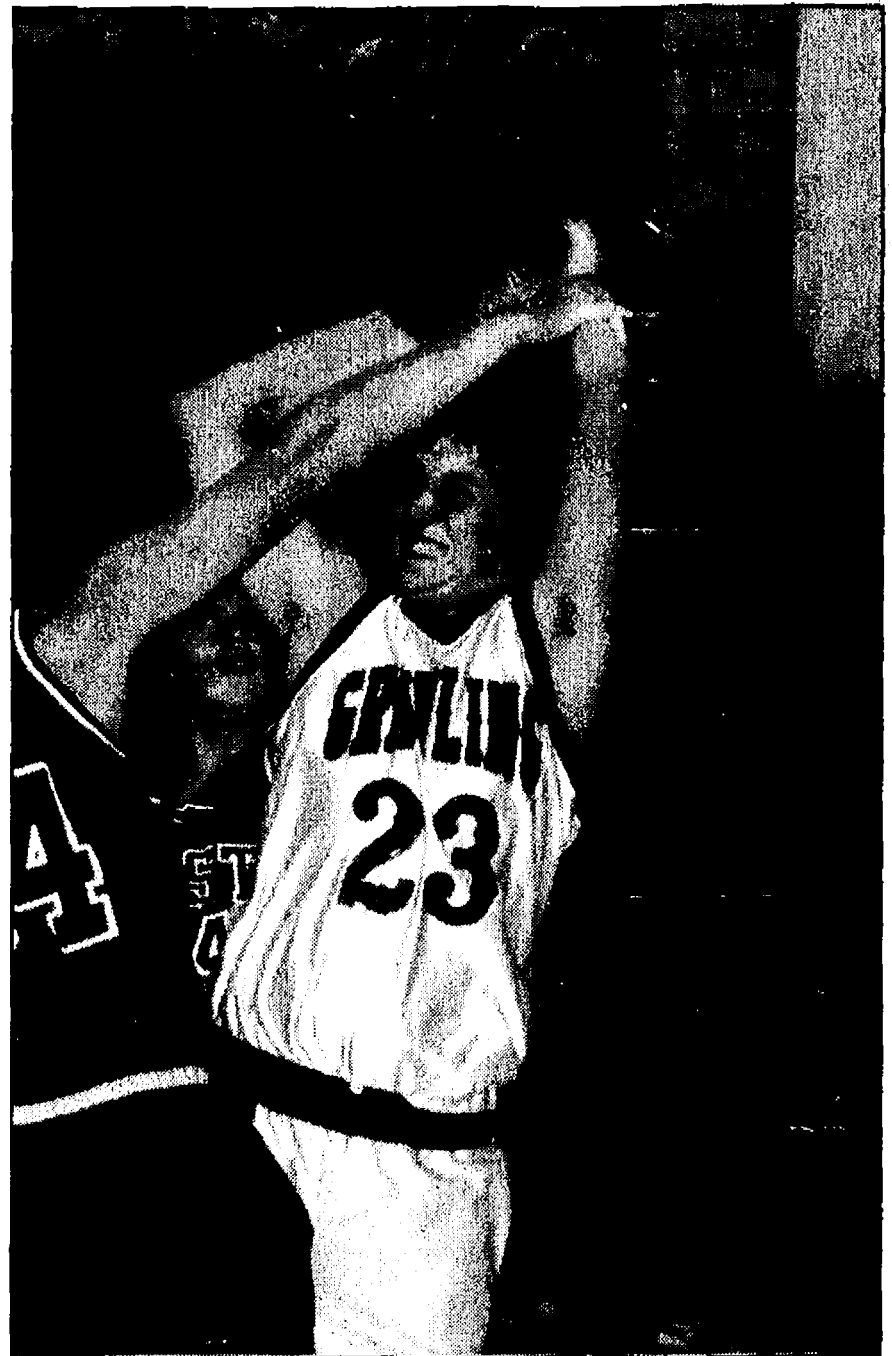
The GHS junior varsity boys basketball team lost a league game to the East Jordan Red Devils by a final score of 63-53 last Friday at Grayling High School.

The Vikings trailed 13-4 after one quarter, but opened the second period with an 11-0 run to take a 15-13 lead. Grayling led 27-26 at halftime, and had a 41-40 advantage going into the fourth quarter. The Red Devils pulled away down the stretch to win by 10, 63-53.

"We were 18 of 35 from the free throw line - they were 20 of 34. It was a three-point game with two minutes left. Things might have been different if we didn't shoot 51 percent from the free throw line," Coach Chris Kucharek said. "We shot 1 of 12 from three-point range. Obviously we need to work on our shot selection. We shot 32 percent from two-point range for the game which is not very good."

"Bottom line, we had a couple of players not come to play this game and it's a team effort. If one player plays bad it affects the whole team," Coach Kucharek said.

Leading scorers for Grayling were: Tyler Steffey, 21 points, 16 rebounds, 14 deflections, 7 steals; Eric Ferrigan, 10 points, 7 steals; Jacob Aubry, 8 points, 4



Alex Gabriel shoots the ball for Grayling during last Friday's JV basketball game vs. East Jordan.

steals.

The Vikings will host Elk

Rapids on Friday, Jan. 12, at 6 p.m.



Jacob Aubry handles the ball for the Vikings on Friday night.

BOWLING LEAGUE

Recreation League			Women: P. Younglove 496; M. Starks, 492; C. Osborne and C. Moore, 462. High Game Women: P. Younglove, 178; M. Starks, 173; C. Osborne, 171.	Jerry's Jokers 7-0
American Legion 13-3	Grayling Manf Housing... 9-7	Glen's Market 9-7	Mickey Perez CPA..... 8-8	Little Tyke Daycare..... 5-2
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High Series: M. Starks, 538; L. Seibert, 520; S. Harney, 506.	High Game: L. Seibert, 225; K. Schmidt, 200; M. Starks, 192.	National First		River Rats..... 0-7
Faustman Insurance 21-0	J- Bar 15-6	Legion Lanes 11-10	Upper Lakes 10-11	Gray Rock Cafe #1 0-7
Scott Pittman Bld. 9-12	Continental Rental 7-14	Great Lakes Mort. 7-14	Corky's Karaoke..... 4-17	Gray Rock Cafe #2 0-7
High Series: P. Faustman, 609; B. Hollis, 608; R. Sartin, 593.	High Game: P. Faustman, 246; D. Canfield, 235; R. Sartin, 234.	Friday Mixed Doubles		High Series Men: E. Brosky 546; M. Cottrell, 536; B. Harris, 531.
Collen & Starks 11-5	G.L. Hauling 10-6	Forget About It 9-7	American Legion..... 8-8	High Game Men: M. Cottrell, 253; E. Brosky, 209; B. Harris, 207.
Poopsie Pin Pounders..... 8-8	Moshier Auto 8-8	Great Lakes Roofing .. 7.5-8.5	New "Kids".....1.5-14.5	High Series Women: T. Rock, 505; C. Wyatt, 487; E. Slater, 451.
High Series Men: D. Canfield, 543; R. Dent, 530; P. Benardo, 501.	High Game Men: D. Canfield, 234; R. Dent, 205; P. Benardo, 201.	High Series		High Game Women: C. Wyatt, 180; T. Rock, 177; T. Haight, 164.
Senior Bowling			Grayling Pharmacy . 50.5 - 13.5	Northwood League
Kickin Grass 34-30	Bear's Den Pizza ... 31.5 - 32.5	Flowers By Josie 31-33	Gaylord Electric..... 31-31	Preston Heating 10-2
Sylvester's 29-35	Spike's 28.5-35.5	Lone Pine 20.5-43.5	High Series Women: C. Clark, 483; M. Ryssso, 462; R. Joyce, 460.	Riverland Rowdie 10-2
High Game Women: C. Clark, 483; M. Ryssso, 462; R. Joyce, 460.	High Game Men: A. Smith, 230; P. Faustman, 215; K. Louchart, 213.	Pioneer League		Bud Lite Babes 6-6
Grayling Rest 34.5 - 25.5	McDonald's 33.5 - 26.5	T. C. Lawncare..... 33-27	Cal Dutton Const..... 33-27	Pro Paint Princesses 6-6
G.B.D. Const..... 31-29	"5" B's 29-31	Spicy Bob's 25-35	Tim's Collision..... 21-39	Choppers Spare 3-9
High Series: M. Rock, 592; B. LaMotte, 532; L. Golnick, 517.	High Game: M. Rock, 234; B. LaMotte, 205; J. Hatfield, 194.	Sunday Mixed Doubles		High Series: C. Moore, 473; T. Rock, 460; N. Glasslee, 452.
Cuts and More..... 7-0	Spikes 7-0	American Men's League		High Game: T. Hellebuyck, 181; C. Osborne, 177; C. Moore and T. Rock, 170.
Women's League			Scheer Motors 19-2	McLeans ACE 16-5
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Women's League			West Side Diner 9-12	Fenton's Auto Serv. 8-13
Men's League			Derwich Ind 6-15	Grayling Chiropractic 0-21
Women's League			High Series: D. Henning, 659; T. Kotrash, 642; Lance Davis, 622.	High Game: Lance Davis, 246; T. Kotrash, 236; D. Henning, 234.

LEGAL ACTION

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

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ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Linda K. Lawyer, a married woman, original mortgagor(s), to Comerica Bank, a Michigan State Chartered Bank, Mortgagee, dated July 6, 2002, and recorded on July 11, 2002 in Liber 587 on Page 607, in Crawford County records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty-Three Thousand Six Hundred Ninety-Nine And 31/100 Dollars (\$83,699.31), including interest at 6.25% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Front door of the County building in Grayling at 10:00 AM, on January 24, 2007.

Said premises are situated in Township of Frederic, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Parcel No. 2 of Suire Valley Estates being a part of the South 1/2 of the Northwest 1/4 and part of the Southwest 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 11, Town 27 North, Range 4 West, Frederic Township, Crawford County, Michigan, described as: Commencing at the North 1/4 corner of said Section 11; thence North 89 degrees 55 minutes 00 seconds East 125.08 feet along the North line of the Section, thence South 7 degrees 02 minutes 22 seconds East 1434.95 feet along the Westerly R.O.W. line of the N.Y.C.R.R. for a point of beginning; thence South 7 degrees 02 minutes 22 seconds East 125.08 feet along said R.O.W. line; thence South 89 degrees 29 minutes 16 seconds West 3563.02 feet, thence North 1 degree 10 minutes 00 seconds East 124.30 feet along the West line of the section to a point which is South 1 degree 10 minutes 00 seconds West 1451.27 feet along the West line of the section from the Northwest corner of said Section 11; thence North 89 degrees 29 minutes 16 seconds East 3546.16 feet to the point of beginning.

Parcel No. 3: Part of the South 1/2 of the Northwest 1/4 and part of the Southwest 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 11, Town 27 North, Range 4 West, Frederic Township, Crawford County, Michigan described as: Commencing at the North 1/4 corner of said Section 11, thence North 89 degrees 55 minutes 00 seconds East 700.82 feet along the North line of the Section thence South 7 degrees 02 minutes 22 seconds East 1560.03 feet along the Westerly R.O.W. line of the N.Y. C.R.R. for a point of beginning; thence South 7 degrees 02 minutes 22

seconds East 124.43 feet along said R.O.W. line, thence South 89 degrees 29 minutes 16 seconds West 3580.79 feet, thence North 1 degree 10 minutes 00 seconds East 123.70 feet along the West line of the section to a point which South 1 degree 10 minutes 00 seconds West 1575.57 feet along the West line of the section from the Northwest corner of said Section 11, thence North 89 degrees 29 minutes 16 seconds East, 3563.02 feet to the point of beginning.

Ingress and Egress to the above described parcel of land is hereby granted over an easement 66 feet wide whose center line is described as: Commencing at the North 1/4 corner of the Section, thence North 89 degrees 55 minutes 00 seconds East 700.82 feet, thence South 7 degrees 02 minutes 22 seconds East 2657.86 feet along the Westerly R.O.W. line of the N.Y.C.R.R. for a point of beginning; and running thence from said point of beginning South 89 degrees 29 minutes 16 seconds West 1309.77 feet to a point, and thence North 0 degrees 36 minutes 26 seconds East 1339.80 feet; and also over an easement 33 feet wide whose West line begins at a point which is South 1 degree 10 minutes 00 seconds West 1326.57 feet along the West line of the section from the Northwest corner of said Section 11, and running along the Section line to a point which is 13.63 feet Southerly of the West 1/4 corner. The above described land is subject to use by others over such parts of the above described easements which lie within the subject property.

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NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt, and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. Default has occurred in a mortgage made by Alwilda M. McKinstry, a single person, to U.S.D.A., Rural Development dated November 23, 1988, and recorded in Liber 290 page(s) 417. Said mortgage was subsequently assumed by Joy B. Wright, a single person, in an agreement dated August 26, 1991. Default has occurred in a mortgage made by Joy B. Wright, a single person, of 2741 E. M-72, Grayling, Michigan 49738 to U.S.D.A., Rural Development, 3001 Coolidge Road, East Lansing, Michigan, dated August 26, 1991 and recorded on September 16, 1991 in Liber 330, Page(s) 486 in Crawford County records. The mortgage holder has begun no proceedings to recover any part of the debt, which is now \$74,812.44. The mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the property, at public auction to the highest bidder, on January 24, 2007 at 10:00 a.m. local time, in the Crawford County Courthouse, 200 W. Michigan Avenue, Grayling, Michigan. The property will be sold to pay the amount then due on the mortgage, together with interest at 8.75 per cent, foreclosure costs, attorney fees, and also any taxes and insurance that

the mortgage holder pays before the sale. The property is situated in the State of Michigan, County of Crawford, and described in the mortgage as: Being a part of the NE 1/4 of Section 16, T26N, R2W, Grayling Township, Crawford County, Michigan: Commencing at the E 1/4 corner of Section 16, T26N, R2W, thence South 88° 43' 40" W along the East and West 1/4 line, 1485.91 feet, thence North 00° 41' 42" West, 59.44 feet for a POB; Thence continuing North 00° 41' 42" West, 329.17 feet, thence North 89° 58' 50" West, 145.16 feet, thence South 00° 42' 08", 271.13 feet; thence South 68° 17' 00" East, 156.97 feet to the Point of Beginning. The redemption period will be six months from the date of sale, but if the property is abandoned under MCL 600.3241a, the redemption period will be 30 days. Dated: December 21, 2006 For further information contact: Rural Development, 240 W. Wright St., West Branch, MI 48661. (989) 345-5470 ext. 4

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MORTGAGE SALE

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. Notice is hereby given that Default has occurred in a Mortgage given by Darrel M. Sauter, a single man, mortgagors, to First National Bank of Gaylord, n/k/a Independent Bank, mortgagee. The Mortgage is dated July 1, 2003, and recorded on August 15, 2003 in Liber 647 on pages 546 through 552 of the Crawford County records. The balance owing on the Mortgage as of the date of this Notice is \$54,604.38, including interest at 15.00% per year. The Mortgage contains a power of sale clause and no proceedings have been instituted to recover any part of the debt owing.

The Mortgage will be foreclosed by selling the property described below at a public auction to the highest bidder. The sale will be held on Wednesday, January 17, 2007, at 10:00 a.m. local time at the main entrance to the Crawford County Court Facility, 200 W. Michigan Avenue, Grayling, Michigan that being the place of holding Circuit Court for Crawford County, Michigan. The property will be sold as two separate parcels to pay the amount then due on the Mortgage, including interest, legal costs, attorney fees and any taxes and insurance which may be paid by the mortgagee before the sale.

The property to be sold is located in the Township of Grayling, County of Crawford, Michigan and is described as:

Lot 154, Grayling Mobile Estates #4, Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan: According to the recorded plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 3 of plats, page 37, Crawford County Records, Tax Code 20-040-45-283-00-154-00.

AND

Lot 153, Grayling Mobile Estates #4, Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan: According to the recorded plat thereof as recorded in Liber 3 of plats, page 37, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period will expire six (6) months from the date of sale, unless it is determined that the property is abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.324.1a, in which case the redemption period will be 30 days from the date of sale.

Date: December 4, 2006

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Attorney for Independent Bank, f/k/a First National Bank of Gaylord, Mortgagee
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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Cheryl A. Russell, an unmarried woman, original mortgagor(s), to Option One Mortgage Corporation, a California Corporation, Mortgagee, dated February 23, 2004, and recorded on June 17, 2004 in Liber 669 on Page 131, in Crawford County records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventy-Eight Thousand Six Hundred Eighty And 86/100 Dollars (\$78,680.86), including interest at 7.99% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case

made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Front door of the County building in Grayling at 10:00 AM, on January 31, 2007.

Said premises are situated in Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 1, Sherwood Forest, according to the plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 3 of Plats, Page 11, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

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MORTGAGE SALE

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by GERALD D SMITH AND SUSAN M SMITH, HIS WIFE TO MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. SOLELY AS NOMINEE FOR LENDER AND LENDERS SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS; LENDER IS DECISION ONE MORTGAGE COMPANY, LLC, Mortgagee, dated April 05, 2005, and recorded on May 18, 2005, in Liber 675, on page 505, in CRAWFORD County Records, Michigan, and assigned by said mortgagee to U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE, ON BEHALF OF THE HOLDERS OF THE HOME EQUITY ASSET TRUST 2005-4 HOME EQUITY PASS THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2005-4 on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of one hundred ten thousand one hundred fifty seven and 34/100 Dollars (\$110,157.34), including interest at 8.340% per annum. WITH AN ADJUSTABLE RATE RIDER.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door of County Building, Grayling, MI, at 10:00 AM on January 31, 2007.

Said premises are situated in TOWNSHIP OF GRAYLING, CRAWFORD County, Michigan and are described as: THE EAST ONE-HALF OF THE EAST ONE-HALF OF THE SOUTH-EAST ONE-QUARTER OF THE SOUTHEAST ONE-QUARTER OF SECTION 7, TOWN 26 NORTH, RANGE 2 WEST

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale. DATED: December 28, 2006
Robert A. Tremain & Associates, P.C.
401 South Old Woodward Avenue, Suite 300 Birmingham, MI 48009-6616

ATTORNEY FOR: U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE, ON BEHALF OF THE HOLDERS OF THE HOME EQUITY ASSET TRUST 2005-4 HOME EQUITY PASS THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2005-4 Assignee of Mortgagee

For More Information Call:

(248) 540-7701

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ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Gregory J. Calkins, An Unmarried Man, original mortgagor(s), to Independent Mortgage Co. Central MI, Mortgagee, dated July 6, 2006, and recorded on July 10, 2006 in Liber 682 on Page 282, in Crawford County records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Fifty-Eight Thousand Nine Hundred Ninety-Five And 67/100 Dollars (\$58,995.67), including interest at 7.25% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Front door of the County building in Grayling at 10:00 AM, on January 31, 2007.

Said premises are situated in City of

Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: The East 68 feet of lot 7, Block 3, of Hadley's amended addition to the Village (now city) of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, according to the plat thereof recorded in liber 01 of plats, page 08, Crawford County Records

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: December 28, 2006
For more information, please call:
FC F 248.593.1313
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys For Servicer
30400 Telegraph Rd Ste 200 Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025-5822
File #120783F01

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Notice is hereby given that Default has occurred in a Mortgage given by Harold E. Baker and Carolynne Baker, to the United States of America, acting through the Farmers Home Administration, United States Department of Agriculture. The Mortgage is dated April 19, 1991 and was recorded on April 19, 1991 in Liber 324 on beginning on page 51 of the Crawford County Records. No proceedings have been instituted to recover any part of the debt which is now Ninety One Thousand Sixty Eight and 84/100 (\$91,668.84) Dollars.

The Mortgage will be foreclosed by selling the property described below at a public auction to the highest bidder. The sale will be held on February 7, 2007 at 10:00 a.m., local time, at the front door to the County Building in Grayling, Michigan which is the location of the Crawford County Circuit Court. The property will be sold to pay the amount then due on the Mortgage, including interest at the rate of 8.75% per year, legal costs, attorney fees and any taxes or insurance which may be paid by the mortgagee before the sale.

The property to be sold is located in Grayling Township, Crawford County, Michigan and is more specifically described in the Mortgage as:

A part of the Southeast 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 12, Township 26 North, Range 4 West, commencing at the Northwest corner thereof and running thence South 89°44' 1/2" East on the North line thereof 487 feet to the West line of County Road, thence South 2°00' West along same 685 feet to the point of beginning; thence South 2°00' West along same 100 feet; thence North 89°44' 1/2" West, 200 feet, thence North 2°00' East, 100 feet; thence South 89°44' 1/2" East 200 feet to the point of beginning.

The redemption period will expire six (6) months from the date of sale unless the property is deemed to be abandoned pursuant to MCL 600.3241a in which case the redemption period will expire thirty (30) days from the date of the sale.

Dated: December 28, 2006
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
ACTING THROUGH THE RURAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY,
F/K/A THE FARMERS HOME ADMINISTRATION,
OF THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

PREPARED BY:
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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage

made by Timothy T. Thomas and Stacey M. Thomas, husband and wife, original mortgagor(s), to Argent Mortgage Company, LLC, Mortgagee, dated April 22, 2005, and recorded on May 5, 2005 in Liber 675 on Page 302, and assigned by mesne assignments to Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., as Trustee for the Benefit of the Certificateholders, Park Place Securities, Inc., Asset-Backed Pass-Through Certificates Series 2005-WCW2 as assignee by an assignment, in Crawford County records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Thousand One Hundred Eighteen And 32/100 Dollars (\$100,118.32), including interest at 7.85% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Front door of the County building in Grayling at 10:00 AM, on February 14, 2007.

Said premises are situated in Township of Frederic, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: The South 1/2 of the South 1/2 of the Northwest 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 26, Town 28 North, Range 4 West

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale. Dated: January 11, 2007 For more information, please call: FC X 248.593.1302
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30400 Telegraph Rd Ste 200 Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025-5822
File #079283F02

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Richard A. Ferguson and Jennifer L. Ferguson, husband and wife, joint tenancy with full rights of survivorship, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated February 10, 2006, and recorded on February 14, 2006 in Liber 679 on Page 834, in Crawford County records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Everhome Mortgage Company as assignee by an assignment, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Ninety-Two Thousand Eight Hundred Nine And 46/100 Dollars (\$92,809.46), including interest at 8% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Front door of the County building in Grayling at 10:00 AM, on January 24, 2007.

Said premises are situated in Township of, South Branch, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Commencing at the Southwest corner of the Southeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 29, Town 25 North, Range 2 West, thence East 330 feet to the Place of Beginning; thence North parallel with the West line of West 1/2 of said Southeast 1/4 to the East and West 1/4 line of said Section; thence East on said 1/4 line 165 feet; thence South at right angles 160 rods to the South line of said Section 29; thence West 165 feet to the Place of Beginning. Being a part of the East 1/2 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 29, Town 25 North, Range 2 West.

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale. Dated: December 21, 2006 For more information, please call: FC R 248.593.1305
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Attorneys For Servicer
30400 Telegraph Rd Ste 200 Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025-5822
File #117828F01

-21-28-4-11

Crawford County Board of Commissioners meeting minutes are now available on the county website: www.crawfordco.org eight days following the scheduled board meeting or may be obtained at the County Clerk's office for six (6) cents per page.

**Sandra Moore
County Clerk/Register of Deeds
October 11, 2002**

Grayling Township Planning Commission to meet

The Grayling Township Planning Commission will meet in public session on Tuesday, January 30, 2007 at 7 p.m. in the town hall to hear the following request:

Case # 07-01SD Lot Split

Petitioner: Elite Builders (Terry VanDeCar), on behalf of Duane LaMotte, owner
Petitioner Address: 7073 Nottingham Drive Grayling, MI 49738
Pet. Local Address Same
Property ID # 040-41-014-02-020-00
Address M-72 West (South side of road, just east of Staley Lake Rd. Currently for sale by Coldwell Banker Realty.)

Parcel size: 2.5 acres
Zoning: Recreational Forest

Request Split 2.5-acre lot into two lots of 1 1/4-acres each for residential development.

Text and maps of request are on file in the township offices and are available for public review during normal working hours. The Grayling Township offices and meeting room are located at 2090 Viking Way, Grayling. Questions pertaining to this request may be directed to the Grayling Township Zoning Administrator.

Terry Wright
Supervisor/Zoning Administrator

LEGAL ACTION

GRAYLING TOWNSHIP BOARD

Regular Meeting and Public Hearing December 13, 2006

Members Present: Dennis Long, Shawn Krayces, Ruth O'Mara, Monica Ashton, Terry Wright.

Members Absent: None.

Others Present: William R. Heinz, Gaila Gilliland, Steve Eddy, Ron Fiebelkorn, Don Williams.

7:00 p.m. PUBLIC HEARING

Supervisor opened the public hearing to consider the necessity of creating a Special Assessment District for the Re-paving of Clough Drive, a private road located in Section 10, T26N, R4W, West of Danish Landing Road.

A petition has been filed with the Township Board by more than 51 % of property owners of frontage on Clough Drive and Holtcamp Lane requesting improvements to the road to prolong the life of existing blacktop.

William Heinz spoke in favor stating the one and one-half inches of new black-top over the existing blacktop, sealing, and some attention paid to drainage would prolong the life of the road surface.

Correspondence: In favor: Raymond Carol

Opposed: Alexandra K. Tryon-Hopko: Owns tow lots of N side but access is from Danish Landing Road. Property does not benefit from project.

There are 14-16 properties involved. Three estimates have been filed ranging from \$10, 335.00 to \$17,488.00.

Public Hearing was closed at 7:15 p.m.

REGULAR MEETING

Supervisor Wright called the regular meeting of the Grayling Township Board to order at 7:15 p.m.

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance.

1. CONSENT AGENDA:

A. Minutes of September 13 and November 9, 2006

B. Treasurer's Report for October and November 2006

C. Reports: November Recycling Report, December Chamber News, November Building Permit List, Emergency 911 Report for November. Motion by Krayces, Second by Long, to accept the consent agenda as presented. All ayes, motion carried.

2. Citizens Who Wish To Speak:

Ron Fiebelkorn, Chairman of the Grayling Township Board of Review, that due to the ongoing increase in requests for Poverty Exemptions a set of guidelines needs to be prepared to use along with the Federal income guidelines. It was suggested that County Treasurer, Joe Wakeley, might be of assistance in forming these guidelines.

3. Appointments to the Beaver Creek/Grayling Township Utilities Authority. Applicants for the two Grayling Township seats on the Authority were: Wm. Zadorsky, Jeddy Hood, Joe Wakeley, James D. Cox, Don Williams. Motion by Long, second by O'Mara, to appoint Don Williams and Jeddy (Jeraldine) Hood as Grayling Township representatives to the Beaver Creek/Grayling Township Utilities Authority. All ayes, motion carried. Motion by Long, second by Ashton, to recommend to Beaver Creek Township to appoint Joseph Wakeley as member-at-large for the Beaver Creek/Grayling Township Utilities Authority. All ayes, motion carried.

4. Motion by Long, second by Krayces, to resolve to create a Special Assessment District for the Re-paving of Clough Drive, a private road located in Sec. 10, T26N, R4W, and schedule a public hearing to review the Tentative Special Assessment Roll for January 10, 2007, at 7:00 p.m. All ayes, motion carried.

5. Motion by O'Mara, second by Krayces, to re-appoint Curt Jansen to the Grayling Township Planning Commission. All ayes, motion carried.

6. Motion by Long, second by Krayces, to appoint Ken Riehle, Ron Fiebelkorn, and Dennis Fyock to the 2007 Board of Review. All ayes, motion carried.

7. Consensus of the Board to advertise for a Township Auditor and Salary Advisory Committee Members.

8. Sheriff's request for reimbursement for Sheriff's Dept overtime during the AuSable River Canoe Marathon does not fall within guidelines for use of liquor control funds. He is requested to bring back alternative projects.

9. RESOLUTION ELECTION GRANT AGREEMENT

WHEREAS, The GRAYLING TOWNSHIP BOARD wishes to apply to the Secretary of State for a grant to purchase an optical scan precinct tabulator to comply with the Help America Vote Act (HAVA).

WHEREAS, the GRAYLING TOWNSHIP BOARD has chosen to submit a grant application for a new optical scan precinct tabulator in 2006.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Grayling Township Clerk is authorized to submit a grant application on behalf of the Township this 13th day of December 2006.

The foregoing resolution was offered by S. Krayces, and supported by D. Long. Ayes (5), nays (0), absent (0), Motion carried.

10. Motion by Long, second by O'Mara, to raise prices for large item disposal at the compactor by \$1.00 per item across the board. All ayes, motion carried.

11. Motion by Krayces, Second by Long, to approve payment of claims on vouchers 4930, 4931, 4933, 4954 through 4996, Board & Comm. Fees for Nov. of \$170.00, Liquor insp. \$120.00, for a grand total of \$50,165.47. All ayes, motion carried.

12. Motion to adjourn, carried. All ayes. (8:10 p.m.)

Monica Ashton, C.M.C.

Grayling Township Clerk

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Faithie Ann Fraley and Terry Fraley, Wife and Husband to

Argent Mortgage Company, LLC, Mortgagee, dated June 24, 2005 and recorded July 12, 2005 in Liber 676 Page 197 Crawford County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage was subsequently assigned to: WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A. as Trustee under POOLING AND SERVICING AGREEMENT Dated as of August 1, 2005 Asset-Backed Pass-Through Certificates Series 2005-WHQ4, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Seven Thousand Nine Hundred Three Dollars and Eleven Cents (\$107,903.11) including interest 6.55% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door to the County Bldg. in Grayling, MI at 10:00AM on Wednesday, February 14, 2007.

Said premises are situated in Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

A Part of the North Half of the South Half of Section 31, Town 27 North, Range 3 West, Grayling Township, Crawford County Michigan, Commencing at the South Quarter Corner of Section 31, Town 27 North, Range 3 West, Thence North 00 Degrees 50 Minutes 07 Seconds East Along the North-South Quarter Line 2253.76 feet for a point of beginning; Thence continuing North 00 Degrees 50 Minutes 07 Seconds East 139.10 Feet to the Easterly Right of Way of M-93 and I-75 Business Loop; thence Northwesterly along said Easterly Right of Way and arc of a 3349.04 Feet Radius Curve to the Left 63.13 Feet of Which the chord bears North 14 Degrees 22 Minutes 51 Seconds West 63.11 Feet; thence South 89 Degrees 09 Minutes 53 Seconds East 416.56 Feet; Thence South 00 Degrees 30 Minutes 07 Seconds West 200.00 Feet; Thence North 89 Degrees 09 Minutes 53 Seconds West 400 feet to Point of Beginning, Containing 1.85 Acres.

Commonly known as 398 I-75, Grayling MI 49738

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from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241 or MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: JANUARY 4, 2007 WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A. as Trustee under POOLING AND SERVICING AGREEMENT Dated as of August 1, 2005 Asset-Backed Pass-Through Certificates Series 2005-WHQ4.

Assignee of Mortgagee Attorneys: Potestivo & Associates, P.C. 811 South Blvd. Suite 100 Rochester Hills, MI 48307 (248) 844-5123 Our File No: 06-61852

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in, the conditions of a mortgage made by Robert M. Dent, a single man, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated December 5, 2001, and recorded on December 21, 2001 in Liber 564 on Page 309, and rerecorded on May 12, 2003 in Liber 633 on Page 210, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventy-Five Thousand Five Hundred Seven And 90/100 Dollars (\$75,507.90), including interest at 7.5% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Front door of the County building in Grayling at 10:00 AM, on January 24, 2007.

Said premises are situated in Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 26, Grayling Manor, According to the REcorded Plat Thereof, as REcorded in Liber 2 of Plats, Page 10, Crawford County Records

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Dated: December 21, 2006

For more information, please call:

FC X 248.593.1302

Trott & Trott, P.C.

Attorneys For Servicer

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Allen L. Labo and Laura K. Labo, husband and wife, original mortgagor(s),

to Homeowners Loan Corp., a Delaware Corporation, Mortgagee, dated January 15, 2004, and recorded on January 28, 2004 in Liber 665 on Page 479, and assigned by said Mortgagee to JPMorgan Chase Bank, as Trustee as assignee by an assignment, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Ninety-One Thousand Six Hundred Seventy-Five And 28/100 Dollars (\$91,675.28), including interest at 9.125% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Front door of the County building in Grayling at 10:00 AM, on January 24, 2007.

Said premises are situated in Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 26, AuSable Trails Subdivision, being part of the North East 1/4 of Section 1, Town 26 North, Range 3 West, Grayling Township, Crawford County, Michigan, according to the plat recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 59, Crawford County Records

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: December 21, 2006

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Attorneys For Servicer

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Jeani Stepke, an Unmarried Woman and Larry M. Ebersole, A Single Man, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated November 15, 2005, and recorded on November 28, 2005 in Liber 678 on Page 684, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Twenty-One Thousand Eight Hundred Sixty-Six And 38/100 Dollars (\$121,866.38), including interest at 7.5% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Front door of the County building in Grayling at 10:00 AM, on January 24, 2007.

Said premises are situated in Township of Frederic, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: That part of the West half of Section 11, Township 28 North, Range 4 West, Frederic Township, Crawford County, Michigan, Described as follows: Commencing at the South quarter corner of said Section 11; thence North 00 degrees 38 minutes 44 seconds East along the North-South quarter line of said Section 11 a distance of 1327.05 feet to a concrete monument found at the eighth corner of said Section 11; thence continuing along said North-South quarter line North 00 degrees 16 minutes 27 seconds East 1529.49 feet; thence South 89 degrees 56 minutes 19 seconds West 1104.91 feet to the point of beginning of this description; thence continuing South 89 degrees 56 minutes 19 seconds West 466.01 feet to an intermediate traverse line along Kolka Creek; thence South 00

degrees 40 minutes 32 seconds West along said traverse line 199.61 feet; thence North 89 degrees 57 minutes 19 seconds East 470.09 feet; thence North 00 degrees 27 minutes 33 seconds West 199.74 feet to the point of beginning, Crawford County Records. The North and South Lot lines extend Westerly to Kolka Creek. Together with and subject to a 66 foot wide driveway and utility easement for ingress and egress from Twin Peaks Road being 33.0 feet each side of the following described centerline: Commencing at the South quarter corner of said Section 11; thence North 00 degrees 38 minutes 44 seconds East along the North-South quarter line of said Section 11 a distance of 1327.05 feet to concrete monument found at the eighth corner of said Section 11; thence continuing along said North-South quarter line North 00 degrees 16 minutes 27 seconds East 1529.49 feet; thence South 89 degrees 56 minutes 19 seconds West 660.87 feet to the point of beginning of this centerline description; thence South 04 degrees 24 minutes 39 seconds West 103.69 feet; thence South 01 degrees 54 minutes 34 seconds West 329.63 feet; thence South 05 degrees 34 minutes 34 seconds West 354.39 feet to the centerline of Twin Peaks Road and the point of ending of this centerline description. Also together with and subject to a 30 foot wide driveway and utility easement for ingress and egress from a private drive being 15.0 feet each side of the following described centerline: Commencing at the South quarter corner of said Section 11; thence North 00 degrees 38 minutes 44 seconds East along the North-South quarter line of said Section 11 a distance of 1327.05 feet to a concrete monument found at the eighth corner of said Section 11; thence continuing along said North-South quarter line North 00 degrees 16 minutes 27 seconds East 1529.49 feet; thence South 89 degrees 56 minutes 19 seconds West 660.87 feet; thence South 04 degrees 24 minutes 39 seconds West 103.69 feet thence South 01 degrees 54 minutes 34 seconds West 81.52 feet to the point of beginning of this centerline description; thence South 89 degrees 57 minutes 19 seconds West 431.87 feet to the point of ending of this centerline description, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale.

Dated: December 21, 2006

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Barbara A. Selesky and Marjorie P. Wall, as joint tenants and not as tenants in common, with full rights of survivorship, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated August 12, 2004, and recorded on August 23, 2004 in Liber 671 on Page 124, in Crawford county records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to US Bank National Association, as Trustee as assignee by an assignment, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Seventy-Three Thousand Seven Hundred Eighty-Six And 46/100 Dollars (\$173,786.46), including interest at 12.99% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Front door of the County building in Grayling at 10:00 AM, on January 24, 2007.

Said premises are situated in Township of Frederic, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Part of the West 1/2 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 2, Town 27 North, Range 4 West, Frederic Township, Crawford County, Michigan: Commencing at the West 1/4 corner of said Section 2; thence North 89 degrees 50 minutes East (along the East and West 1/4 line) 563.2 feet; thence North 9 degrees 35 minutes East, 1323.7 feet; thence North 27 degrees 35 minutes East, 400 feet; thence North 1 degree 40 minutes East, 171.25 feet to the point of beginning; thence North 80 degrees 25 minutes West, 135 feet to the Easterly bank of the AuSable River; thence North 13 degrees 04 minutes East (along said river bank) 200.4 feet; thence South 80 degrees 25 minutes East, 225.2 feet to the Westerly right of way of Chicksaw Trail; thence South 00 degrees 20 minutes West (along said right of way), 202.8 feet; thence North 80 degrees 28 minutes West, 135.0 feet to the point of beginning. This parcel extends to the waters edge of the AuSable River

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: December 21 2006

For more information, please call:

FC H 248.593.1300

Trott & Trott, P.C.

Attorneys For Servicer

30400 Telegraph Rd Ste 200 Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025-5822 File #119747F01

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NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT THE NUMBER BELOW IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.

ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Sara Priebe and Robert Belcher, single persons, joint tenants, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated March 15, 2004, and recorded on June 21, 2004 in Liber 669 on Page 286, and assigned by said Mortgagee to LaSalle Bank National Association, trustee as assignee by an assignment, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Ten Thousand Eighty And 90/100 Dollars (\$110,080.90), including interest at 9.4% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Front door of the County building in Grayling at 10:00 AM, on January 24, 2007.

Said premises are situated in Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lots 17 and 18, Block 1, of Oak Hill Park, Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, According to the plat thereof recorded in Liber 01 of Plats, Page 27, Crawford County Records

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: December 21, 2006

For more information, please call:

FC S 248.593.1304

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30400 Telegraph Rd Ste 200 Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025-5822 File #088500F02

-21-28-4-11

ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR VACANT GRAYLING CITY COUNCIL SEAT

For a term expiring November 2007

Applicants can pick up an application at the City Clerk's office at City Hall, 1020 City Boulevard or on the website at www.city-ofgrayling.org. Questions may be directed to the City Clerk at 348-2131 ext. 26.

Applications will be accepted by the City Clerk until 4:00 PM on Monday, January 22, 2007.

The applicant must be an eligible registered voter in the City of Grayling.

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NOTICE OF SHOW CAUSE HEARING AND JUDICIAL FORECLOSURE HEARING for NON-PAYMENT OF PROPERTY TAXES

On March 1, 2006, real estate with unpaid 2004 and/or prior years property taxes was forfeited to the Crawford County Treasurer pursuant to the General Property Tax Act, Public Act 206 of 1893, PA 206, MCL 211.1 to 211.157, as amended.

The Crawford County Treasurer is acting as the Foreclosing Governmental Unit in proceedings to foreclose on properties for unpaid 2004 and/or prior property taxes.

There are two hearings scheduled to finalize the foreclosure process. This publication is intended to provide additional notice to parties of interest in these parcels as to the nature, time, and location of these hearings.

A Show Cause Hearing is scheduled for 10:00 A.M. January 18, 2007 at the Office of the County Treasurer, Crawford County Building, 200 W. Michigan Ave., Grayling, MI 49738.

Any person with an interest in the property forfeited to the County Treasurer may appear at the Show Cause Hearing and redeem the property or show cause why absolute title to that property should not vest in the Foreclosing Governmental Unit.

A Judicial Foreclosure Hearing is scheduled for 1:30 P.M. February 5, 2007 at the Crawford County Building, Circuit Court Room, 200 W. Michigan Ave., Grayling, MI 49738.

At this hearing the Foreclosing Governmental unit shall ask that the court enter a judgment foreclosing property as requested in the petition for foreclosure. A person claiming an interest in a parcel of property set forth in the petition for foreclosure, who desires to contest that petition, must file written objections with the clerk of the 46th Circuit Court, and serve those objections on the Crawford County Treasurer as the Foreclosing Governmental Unit. The Docket number for the Petition is 06-7038-CZ.

If you are a person with an interest in property being foreclosed:

- You have the right to redeem this parcel from the foreclosure process by payment of all forfeited unpaid taxes, interest, penalties, and fees prior to the expiration of the redemption period. You should contact the Crawford County Treasurer for the amount required to redeem.
- You may lose your interest in the property as a result of the foreclosure proceeding.
- The title to the property shall vest absolutely in the Foreclosing Governmental Unit unless all forfeited unpaid delinquent taxes, interest, penalties and fees are paid by March 31, 2007.

PLEASE NOTE:

The following list represents parties that appear to have title, lien, or other apparent rights to the parcels being foreclosed by the Foreclosing Governmental Unit.

This notice is required to be given by law, even if the party no longer claims or desires an interest if it appears they hold any **undischarged, apparent, or potential** title or lien right to the property listed.

A listing of a party or person does NOT necessarily indicate that they are the owner of a parcel, or that they are liable for the property taxes.

This list is NOT an offering of property for sale. These parcels are NOT being sold, auctioned, or otherwise made available by virtue of this notice.

There is no procedure for purchasing these parcels from the Foreclosing Governmental Unit at this point in the foreclosure proceedings. Those parcels that are foreclosed and not redeemed may become available at public auction after July of 2007. These parcels remain the property of the current owner until redemption rights have expired. No party or person should make any attempt to inspect or enter upon these parcels assuming them to be for sale. This may constitute trespassing and subject the offender to criminal prosecution. The street address of the parcels listed is based upon local records and is not guaranteed to be the actual location of the property.

The amount due listed indicates the balance which was due as of March 1, 2006. The current amount required to redeem must be obtained from the Crawford County Treasurer, as additional penalties, fees, and interest have accrued since forfeiture.

NAME	PARCEL ID	TAX	NAME	PARCEL ID	TAX
ABRAHAM, WILLIAM	040-45-220-00-073-00	771.25	EMPIRE NATIONAL BANK	040-41-006-14-060-00	6398.71
AMERIQUEST MORTGAGE COMPANY	030-002-006-500-00	867.84	ESTATE OF JOHN R HAWKINS	020-006-012-040-00	386.17
AMERIQUEST MORTGAGE COMPANY	062-033-011-090-04	262.41	EWALD, DIANE	040-40-022-02-120-00	743.29
AMERIQUEST MORTGAGE COMPANY	062-033-011-095-00	1190.52	EWALD, DIANE	062-032-010-180-00	320.60
ANDERSEN, BRIAN	040-41-017-02-130-00	5809.49	EWALD, DONALD	040-40-015-15-220-00	1529.16
ANDERSEN, JILL	040-41-017-02-130-00	5809.49	EWALD, DONALD	062-032-010-180-00	320.60
ANGELL, LEANNA	064-400-000-744-00	695.81	EWALD, MARY D	040-40-015-15-220-00	1529.16
ANGELL, ROBERT A	064-400-000-744-00	695.81	FARMERS HOME ADMINISTRATION	062-028-012-080-00	1248.32
ANTCLIFFE, JOE L	064-541-000-093-00	1232.64	FEDAK, FRED	040-42-013-02-130-00	3531.89
BAKER, DENNIS S	040-41-026-13-020-04	514.12	FEDAK, FRED	040-42-013-05-060-00	818.44
BALMES, GERALD A	050-009-007-020-10	904.86	FIFTH THIRD BANK	040-41-017-02-130-00	5809.49
BALMES, GERALD A	050-009-010-020-00	904.86	FIFTH THIRD BANK	040-45-760-11-027-00	1375.70
BALMES, GERALD A	050-009-011-040-00	904.86	FIRST NATIONAL ACCEPTANCE COMPANY	064-500-000-003-00	889.72
BALMES, VIVIAN	050-009-007-020-10	904.86	FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF GAYLORD	050-008-013-020-00	13494.69
BALMES, VIVIAN	050-009-010-020-00	904.86	FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF GAYLORD	050-009-011-040-00	904.86
BALMES, VIVIAN	050-009-011-040-00	904.86	FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF OMAHA	020-034-001-020-01	809.72
BANK ONE, N.A.	040-45-700-00-031-00	8786.69	FLOWERS, CORA	070-120-002-012-00	1868.57
BANK ONE, N.A.	052-775-000-001-00	669.46	FOWLER, REVA A	062-033-011-090-04	262.41
BARDONI, CHARLES R	062-028-012-080-00	1248.32	FOWLER, REVA A	062-033-011-095-00	1190.52
BEAR LAKE LODGE, L.L.C.	040-45-700-00-031-00	8786.69	FOWLER, RONALD W SR	062-033-011-090-04	262.41
BENAWAY & PAGELS, PC	031-011-006-180-00	1529.93	FOWLER, RONALD W SR	062-033-011-095-00	1190.52
BINDSCHATEL, GEORGE	030-002-006-500-00	867.84	FREGOLLE & FREGOLLE, P.C.	050-019-004-120-00	681.50
BINDSCHATEL, KIMBERLY	030-002-006-500-00	867.84	GANNON, WILLIAM S	050-008-013-020-00	13494.69
BISHOP, MARLENE	052-520-000-310-00	299.93	GE CAPITAL COLONIAL PACIFIC LEASING	050-008-013-020-00	13494.69
BOATMAN, ZEPHER A	031-028-001-100-06	456.48	GE CAPITAL COLONIAL PACIFIC LEASING	050-009-007-020-10	904.86
BOETTGER, SANDRA	032-101-000-105-00	355.64	GE CAPITAL COLONIAL PACIFIC LEASING	050-009-010-020-00	904.86
BOETTGER, TERRY	032-101-000-105-00	355.64	GE CAPITAL COLONIAL PACIFIC LEASING	050-009-011-040-00	904.86
BONO, LORI N	031-012-001-031-00	668.17	GILLIAM, JAMES G	052-775-000-031-00	743.75
BOWEN, JOHN	040-40-009-01-065-00	305.00	GIOVANNONI, DOROTHEA	020-075-000-072-00	303.61
BRILL, JANET	052-520-000-281-00	363.95	GIOVANNONI, GEORGE V SR	020-075-000-072-00	303.61
BUDD, CLARENCE	020-009-016-025-00	729.11	GIOVANNONI, JEANETTE M	020-075-000-072-00	303.61
BUDD, HELEN	020-009-016-025-00	729.11	GRAYLING STATE BANK	040-40-010-10-050-00	1088.02
BUITING, BERNARD F	040-40-010-10-050-00	1088.02	GRAYLING STATE BANK	040-40-015-15-220-00	1529.16
BUITING, DORIS J	040-40-010-10-050-00	1088.02	GRAYLING STATE BANK	070-100-009-007-00	2095.20
BUTLER, ROBERT L	040-45-760-11-027-00	1375.70	GREAT LAKES ROOFING & INSULATION SYSTEMS, INC.	070-150-003-004-00	5355.09
CALLAHAN, ANNA	062-007-013-120-00	577.28	GREEN TREE FINANCIAL CORPORATON	020-034-001-020-01	809.72
CALLAHAN, ANNA	062-007-013-160-01	718.16	GREENPOINT CREDIT, LLC	070-131-004-015-02	2524.81
CALLAHAN, ANNA	062-007-013-160-02	902.99	GROLEAU, JAMES	052-520-000-258-00	443.49
CALLAHAN, CHERYL	062-007-013-120-00	577.28	H&L INC	020-100-000-268-00	318.85
CALLAHAN, CHERYL	062-007-013-160-01	718.16	H&L INC	020-100-000-399-00	318.85
CALLAHAN, CHERYL	062-007-013-160-02	902.99	HABBERT, DAVID M	052-520-000-397-00	969.94
CALLAHAN, CHRIS	062-007-013-120-00	577.28	HABBERT, DAVID M	052-520-000-398-00	410.67
CALLAHAN, CHRIS	062-007-013-160-01	718.16	HABBERT, DAWN M	052-520-000-397-00	969.94
CALLAHAN, CHRIS	062-007-013-160-02	902.99	HABBERT, DAWN M	052-520-000-398-00	410.67
CALLAHAN, GARY T	064-620-000-011-00	973.28	HARTMAN, JOHN	050-008-013-020-00	13494.69
CAPSTEAD, INC	050-008-013-020-00	13494.69	HARTMAN, SHARON	050-008-013-020-00	13494.69
CAREY & JASKOWSKI, PLLC	050-018-009-020-02	2798.03	HARTWICK, CAROL A	031-011-006-180-00	1529.93
CAVANAUGH, PHYLLIS A	062-034-009-020-00	3422.30	HARTWICK, JAMES F	031-011-006-180-00	1529.93
CITIZENS BANK	040-45-480-00-018-00	1428.20	HAYES, SUSAN	070-100-008-011-00	9248.34
CONSECO FINANCE SERVICING CORP.	050-018-009-020-02	2798.03	HILBRECHT, JAMES M	050-009-007-020-10	904.86
COOK, JOHN W	010-13-024-01-080-00	944.83	HILL, MYRTLE M	040-45-281-00-049-00	385.52
COOK, MARJORIE A	010-13-024-01-080-00	944.83	HITCHCOCK, ALICE G	030-001-004-020-00	490.39
CORNERSTONE 220, LLC	070-100-015-001-02	3784.69	HITCHCOCK, RAYMOND O	030-001-004-020-00	490.39
CORNERSTONE 220, LLC	070-100-015-001-05	291.08	HURD, CLIFFORD D	052-520-000-258-00	443.49
COTTRILL, MARGARET I	020-009-016-025-00	729.11	HURD, MABEL C	052-520-000-258-00	443.49
COTTRILL, ROBERT H	020-009-016-025-00	729.11	INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE	040-42-013-02-130-00	3531.89
COUNTRYSIDE DEVELOPMENT, INC.	040-45-281-00-049-00	385.52	INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE	040-42-013-05-060-00	818.44
COUNTY OF CRAWFORD	020-009-016-025-00	729.11	INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE	050-008-013-020-00	13494.69
COWPER, DONNA J	052-520-000-275-00	2119.99	INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE	050-009-007-020-10	904.86
COWPER, DONNA J	052-520-000-281-00	363.95	INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE	050-009-010-020-00	904.86
COWPER, ROBERT L	052-520-000-275-00	2119.99	INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE	050-009-011-040-00	904.86
COWPER, ROBERT L	052-520-000-281-00	363.95	INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE	070-100-009-006-00	2235.58
COWPER, SHELLEY L	052-520-000-360-00	382.86	INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE	070-100-009-007-00	2095.20
COWPER, SHELLEY L	052-520-000-361-00	352.43	ISENHAUER, SHIRLEY A	040-45-281-00-049-00	385.52
COWPER, SHELLEY L	052-520-000-362-00	290.04	ISERHAUER, GARY D	040-45-281-00-049-00	385.52
CRAFT, CARL B	040-41-006-14-040-00	7355.10	JANSMA, ROBERT	040-44-033-12-020-01	798.91
CRAFT, CARL B	040-41-006-14-060-00	6398.71	JOHNSON, EDMUND W	040-41-014-01-140-00	644.58
CRAFT, JUDITH A	040-41-006-14-040-00	7355.10	JOHNSON, RANDEE C	050-019-004-120-00	681.50
CRAFT, JUDITH A	040-41-006-14-060-00	6398.71	JP MORGAN CHASE BANK	062-028-012-080-00	1248.32
CRAWFORD COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUND	070-120-002-012-00	1868.57	KAMMER, MICHAEL E	020-075-000-167-00	318.85
CRAWFORD COUNTY HOUSING REHABILITATION / COMM DEV	040-45-766-02-012-00	1171.97	KEY BANK, USA	052-600-000-035-00	934.81
CRAWFORD COUNTY HOUSING REHABILITATION / COMM DEV	070-100-009-006-00	2235.58	KING, FRANCES A	040-45-220-00-073-00	771.25
CRAWFORD COUNTY HOUSING REHABILITATION / COMM DEV	070-100-009-007-00	2095.20	KOGELMAN, RANDALL	030-002-006-120-00	999.42
CROSS, WILLIAM T	020-100-000-359-00	270.74	KOTSULL, JOSEPH	052-520-000-465-00	426.22
DEHART, BERNADETTE	040-45-220-00-073-00	771.25	KOTSULL, PAULA	052-520-000-465-00	426.22
DEHART, JACK D	040-45-220-00-073-00	771.25	KURZATKOWSKI, KATHLEEN	032-101-000-021-00	362.16
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES	062-032-010-180-00	320.60	KURZATKOWSKI, MARK	032-101-000-021-00	362.16
DETNER, DONNA M	063-013-003-020-00	3676.70	LAZZARINO, LOUISE	050-018-011-030-00	2638.60
DEVEREAUX, DUWAYNE	050-019-011-290-00	298.89	LAZZARINO, WILLIAM	050-018-011-030-00	2638.60
DREFFS, DONALD	032-400-000-004-00	1044.43	LIMMEL, EDWARD	070-120-002-012-00	1868.57
DREFFS, KATHLEEN	032-400-000-004-00	1044.43	LIMMEL, LORI	070-120-002-012-00	1868.57
DURYEA, BRANDIN	064-500-000-003-00	889.72	LIXEY, DENNIS M	064-620-000-011-00	973.28
DWYER, DANIEL S	040-45-280-00-018-00	511.51	LIXEY, JUDITH L	064-620-000-011-00	973.28
EIKENHOUT, ISABEL	040-45-762-06-011-00	324.60	LYON FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC., D/B/A US BANCORP	050-008-013-020-00	13494.69
EIKENHOUT, PAUL	040-45-762-06-011-00	324.60	LYON FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC., D/B/A US BANCORP	050-009-007-020-10	904.86
			LYON FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC., D/B/A US BANCORP	050-009-010-020-00	904.86

NAME	PARCEL ID	TAX	NAME	PARCEL ID	TAX
D/B/A US BANCORP			SCHULTZ, ALBERT W	052-775-000-033-00	1161.05
LYON FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC.,	050-009-011-040-00	904.86	SCHULTZ, GARNET	052-775-000-033-00	1161.05
D/B/A US BANCORP			SCHULTZ, KATHLEEN T	052-775-000-018-00	287.30
MCCARTY, VAUGHN R	040-45-740-00-013-00	305.52	SCHULTZ, ROBERT W	052-775-000-018-00	287.30
MCNALLY, TINA	064-400-000-739-00	776.75	SEARS, BESSIE R	062-028-004-020-00	385.52
MCNALLY, WILLIAM R	064-400-000-739-00	776.75	SECORD, MARILYN F	063-011-002-070-00	1739.39
MCRAE, VIOLETTA F	040-45-480-00-018-00	1428.20	SECORD, WALTER J III	063-011-002-070-00	1739.39
MCRAE, WILLIAM E	040-45-480-00-018-00	1428.20	SEELY, STANLEY	052-520-000-310-00	299.93
MEADOWCROFT, HOWARD E	020-009-016-025-00	729.11	SELESKY, BARBARA	030-011-002-040-00	2019.08
MEADOWCROFT, NORMA J	020-009-016-025-00	729.11	SHEPAN, RANDY	064-500-000-038-00	323.52
MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY	032-101-000-105-00	355.64	SHEPAN, RICHARD K	064-500-000-038-00	323.52
MICHIGAN HOUSING TRUST FUND	030-011-002-040-00	2019.08	SHEPAN, RODNEY J	064-500-000-038-00	323.52
MICHIGAN HOUSING TRUST FUND	030-011-002-060-00	1273.68	SILVER FOX ENTERPRISES, INC	070-100-008-011-00	9248.34
MICHIGAN QUALITY CARE HOME	030-011-002-040-00	2019.08	SIMS, CLEM D	050-018-009-020-02	2798.03
MICHIGAN QUALITY CARE HOME	030-011-002-060-00	1273.68	SIMS, JACQUELEEN	050-018-009-020-02	2798.03
MIDWEST RESORT PROPERTIES, INC.	020-100-000-399-00	318.85	SIMUN, ELEANOR	020-075-000-167-00	318.85
MOORE, DWAIN J	050-027-010-024-00	1035.62	SKYLINE SKI & COUNTRY CLUB LLC	050-008-013-020-00	13494.69
MOORE, SHEILA	050-027-010-024-00	1035.62	SKYLINE SKI & COUNTRY CLUB LLC	050-009-007-020-10	904.86
MORRIS, JANET	052-520-000-281-00	363.95	SKYLINE SKI & COUNTRY CLUB LLC	050-009-010-020-00	904.86
MORTGAGE CORP OF AMERICA	062-028-004-020-00	385.52	SKYLINE SKI & COUNTRY CLUB LLC	050-009-011-040-00	904.86
MOSHIER, KARY L	070-100-009-006-00	2235.58	SLAVENS REFRIGERATION CORPORATION	031-035-014-130-00	693.33
MOSHIER, KARY L	070-100-009-007-00	2095.20	SMITH, NICOLE A	020-075-000-103-00	318.85
MOSHIER, ROGER A	070-100-009-006-00	2235.58	SMITH, NICOLE A	020-075-000-104-00	318.85
MOSHIER, ROGER A	070-100-009-007-00	2095.20	SMITH, NORMAN	020-075-000-099-00	318.85
MOSS-HILBRECHT, CATHERINE A	050-009-007-020-10	904.86	SMITH, NORMAN	020-075-000-100-00	318.85
NAGY, MICHAEL	032-180-000-180-00	629.58	SMITH, NORMAN	020-075-000-101-00	318.85
NELSON, CECILIA	040-45-480-00-018-00	1428.20	SMITH, NORMAN	020-075-000-102-00	318.85
NELSON, LESLIE	040-45-480-00-018-00	1428.20	SMITH, NORMAN	020-075-000-103-00	318.85
NEWBY, GERTRUDE J	031-012-001-031-00	668.17	SMITH, NORMAN	020-075-000-104-00	318.85
NEWBY, W E	031-012-001-031-00	668.17	SMITH, NORMAN	020-075-000-105-00	318.85
NIEDERHOUSE, CONRAD S	052-600-000-035-00	934.81	SMITH, NORMAN	020-075-000-110-00	318.85
NORTHERN ICE & COLD STORAGE	031-035-014-130-00	693.33	SMITH, NORMAN	020-075-000-111-00	318.85
NORTHLAND AREA FEDERAL CREDIT UNION	063-011-002-070-00	1739.39	SMITH, NORMAN	020-075-000-112-00	318.85
NYE, ERNEST	050-009-007-020-10	904.86	SMITH, NORMAN	020-075-000-113-00	318.85
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SALLING HANSON COMPANY TRUSTEES	032-101-000-105-00	355.64	WILSON, JOANN E	040-40-004-16-020-04	2392.75
SANCARTIER, SHARON K	040-45-766-02-012-00	1171.97	WILSON, PERRY D	040-40-004-16-020-04	2392.75
SCHANS, LAURA J	040-42-013-02-130-00	3531.89	WROBLEWSKI, AARON	020-100-000-359-00	270.74
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SCHIAFF, SHAWN	050-019-011-290-00	298.89	YORK, KYLE A	031-012-001-017-00	603.40
SCHMIDT, JOHN	010-14-400-00-165-00	2072.32	ZUK, PETER T	031-011-006-300-00	1752.19
SCHMIDT, ROSALINE	010-14-400-00-165-00	2072.32	ZUK, THOMAS	031-011-006-300-00	1752.19

No party or person should make any attempt to inspect or enter upon these parcels assuming them to be for sale. This may constitute trespassing and subject the offender to criminal prosecution. The street address of the parcels listed is based upon local records and is not guaranteed to be the actual location of the property.

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020-006-012-040-00		040-40-022-02-120-00	3546 E M-72 HWY	052-600-000-035-00	205 MEMORY LANE
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020-034-001-020-01	2227 W CO RD 612	040-41-006-14-060-00	5480 WOODSIDE DR	052-775-000-014-00	9684 SWITZER BLVD
020-075-000-072-00		040-41-008-05-390-00		052-775-000-018-00	
020-075-000-099-00		040-41-014-01-140-00		052-775-000-031-00	
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FEATURES

A LOOK AT OUR PAST FROM THE PAGES OF THE AVALANCHE



January 12, 1984 - Ten GHS girls seek the Miss Grayling crown this year. The four in the front are from L to R: Kris Larson, Lea Morse, Shawn Lovely, Diane Lee; (backrow) Michelle Muriel, Patricia Hahn, Brenda Johnson, Michelle Leal, Kim House, and Lisa LaMotte.

**23 Years Ago
January 12, 1984**

The Grayling Winter Sports Carnival offers a medallion worth \$100 to the finder. It is hidden in Crawford County and clues pointing to its location will begin to be given out Jan. 23. The medallion is the size of a softball and is hidden on public property. The first person to find the medallion and take it to the radio station or the Avalanche during regular business hours will be the winner.

Local attorney, William Carey, representing John Kraus, failed in two areas to show why his client has the right to bring legal action against the Kmart Economic Development Corporation project, but he has ten days to amend

the lawsuit for another attempt.

The Crawford County Prosecutor's Office and Crawford County Department of Social Services cracked down on welfare fraud in 1983 charging 12 persons with felony crimes involving \$37,294.

Both Grayling ski teams started slowly again this season as the girls lost 28-48 and the boys lost 27-45 to Clare at Snowsnake Mt. on Jan. 6.

"The Smurfs and the Magic Flute" is showing Jan. 12-15 at the Rialto Theatre.

The Attorney General's office is currently auditing Crawford County Dial-A-Ride records because of irregularities in the payroll account. The Crawford

County Transportation Authority suspended Dial-A-Ride director Chet Johnston Oct. 25 because of irregularities and asked the Michigan State Police to investigate.

**46 Years Ago
January 12, 1961**

Miss Jill Wakeley was crowned Miss Grayling Saturday night at the Queens Ball. Fred Bear crowned Miss Wakeley, who will be Grayling's entry in the Miss Michigan Winter Sports Queen contest to be held in Grayling on Feb. 11 and 12. Designated as Miss Grayling's court were Jacqueline Norenberg, Lani Stephan, Pam Mauren and Linda Smock. Other contestants were Judy Failing, Karen Nielson, Sandy Riddle, Mary Ann Engel, Barbara Searles, Sandy Taylor and Sharon Blaine.

The Grayling Vikings, after keeping their victory string intact at five straight in the conference, had a 59 - 47 victory over Harbor Springs here last Friday and will travel to Charlevoix this Friday for another conference battle.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Stephan made a business trip to Grand Rapids on Monday of last week. Mrs. Stephan visited her sister, Mrs. Clem Bement while there.

Dr. and Mrs. Leonard Allison entertained a group of friends with a lobster dinner at their home.

**69 Years Ago
January 13, 1938**

The first Kirby Snow Train

from Detroit arrived in Grayling about 1:30 p.m. Sunday and there was a big crowd present at the depot to welcome the visitors. Gayly clad young men and women in festive spirit came pouring out of the coaches all set for a big time. As usual the toboggan slides were the big attraction and loaded toboggans were soon flashing down the icy slides.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Olson who attended the shoe convention at the Hotel Statler in Detroit, also witnessed the Sonja Henie Revue at the Olympia Sunday evening.

Mrs. Joseph Pentrack came up from Detroit on the Snow Train Sunday to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank LaMotte for one week.

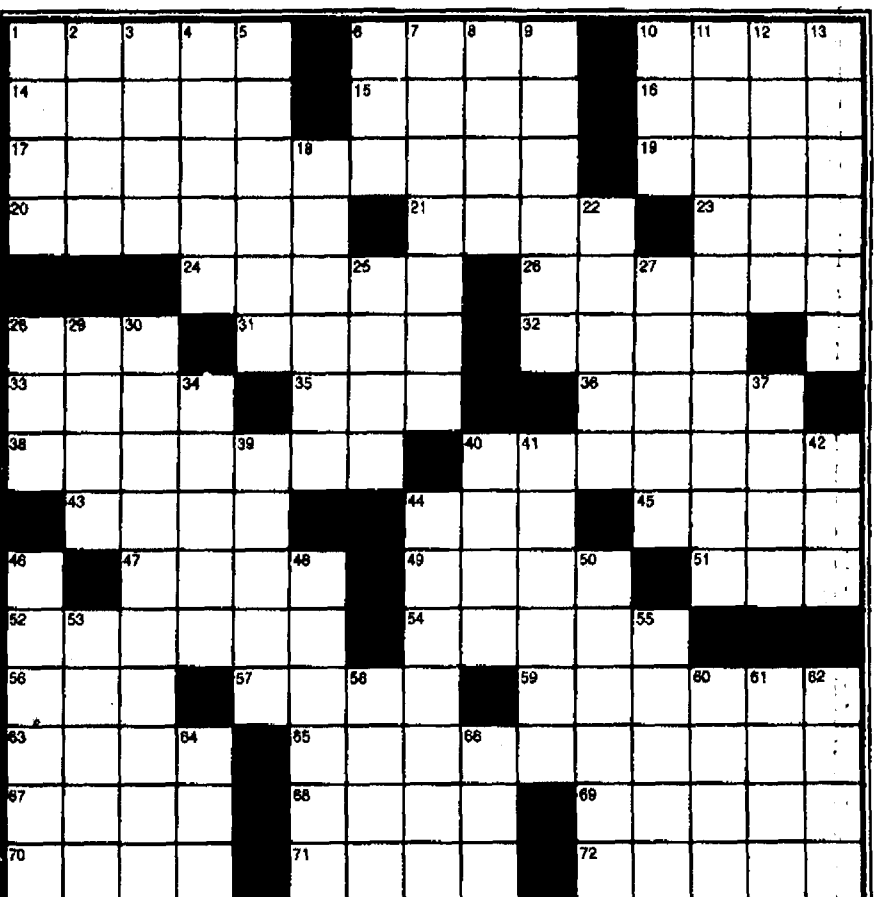
**92 Years Ago
January 14, 1915**

Much excitement was caused on Saturday afternoon when a chimney at the Burton Hotel burned out.

R. Hanson will leave for Lansing tomorrow to meet with the State Railroad Commission.

In school notes, Hardin Sweeney has left school, Emerson Bates spelled down the ancient history class in a recent contest in the spelling of proper names. Anne Walton and Wilda Failing visited the eighth grade last Thursday, Florence Wakeley has returned to school after being absent on account of sickness, and Hazel Stephan is absent this week because of illness.

CROSSWORD



- Across**
1. Inform on someone.
 6. Distinctive, stylish elegance.
 10. Spar rising aft from a mast to support the head of a quadrilateral fore-and-aft sail.
 14. Richard Gere film.
 15. Brightest star in the constellation Lyra.
 16. Fencing sword.
 17. Growing in sandy areas.
 19. Vertical movement of a lantern.
 20. Supply with abundance of anything desirable.
 21. Patricia Van ... composer.
 23. Hammocklike bed stiffened by a suspended frame.
 24. ... Klein, Canadian journalist.
 25. Bring into harmony with.
 28. Mother of Jupiter.
 31. Outer layer of the grape containing the pigments, flavonoids and tannins essential to making red wine.
 32. Known as Yank before 1775.
 33. Female student in a coeducational institution.
 35. Before.
 36. Studies intended to provide general knowledge and intellectual skills.
 38. In a dominant position within.
 40. Small glass vial for a hypodermic injection solution sealed after filling.
 43. One of the most famous schools in the world.
 44. Vote in favor of something.
 45. Album featuring Dolly Parton, Emmylou Harris and Linda Ronstadt.
 47. Ancient Greek name for the southwest wind.
 49. Wife of rajah.
 51. Plural of EW, a printer's measure.
 52. Preparation having vinegar as the solvent.
 54. Front parts of the human leg between the knee and the ankle.
 56. Legal seizure of goods.
 57. Concept album by the Electric Light Orchestra.
 59. Characteristic to be considered.
 63. Tomorrow Never ...
 65. Group of people who are doing something wrong.
 67. River in Northwest Ireland.
 68. Henry ... senator from Kentucky.
 69. System of principles.
 70. Small particle.
 71. Position of leadership.
 72. Religious doctrine proclaimed true without proof.
- Down**
1. Divine.
 2. ... Mansion, one of the 28 mansions of the Chinese constellations.
 3. Open vessel with a handle and spout for pouring.
 4. Good Bye ...
 5. Noisy quarrel.
 6. All About ...
 7. Characteristic of a lion.
 8. Successive stages of chills and fever.
 9. Capital of the Bahamas.
 10. Take the first step in carrying out an action.
 11. Cultivation of bees on a commercial scale for the production of honey.
 12. Infection of the finger tip.
 13. Shackles for the ankles or feet.
 18. Clogged up.
 22. Indicating the most important performer.
 25. Entrap.
 27. Character in the Marvel Universe.
 28. South American wood sorrel cultivated for its edible tubers.
 29. Affected manners intended to impress others.
 30. Payment made for a trade.
 34. Legal right.
 37. ... Whitman, singer.
 39. Signal going into an electronic system.
 40. Indian nursemaid who looks after children.
 41. Submissive.
 42. Greek equivalent to Roman Aurora.
 44. English automobile manufactured from 1896 to 1899.
 46. With one behind the other.
 48. Blamish made by dirt.
 50. Small air-breathing arthropod.
 53. Translated "Land of Ra."
 55. Refrain from harming.
 58. East of.
 61. Relinquish control over.
 62. Oldest form of Korean pop music.
 64. Call a bat.
 66. Athletic facility equipped for physical training.

RECIPE OF THE WEEK



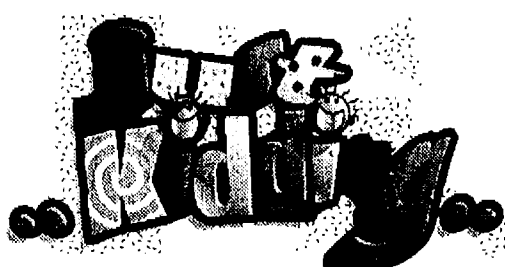
Strawberry Shortcake Hot Milk Drink

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|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 8 ounces milk, | 1 tablespoon strawberry sauce |
| low-fat (1%), reduced-fat (2%) | (ice cream topping). |
| or your choice | Whipped cream |
| 1 tablespoon strawberry syrup | 1 fresh strawberry, sliced |
| 2 tablespoons almond syrup | |

1. In a small saucepan, combine milk, syrups and sauce over medium-low heat, stirring well to incorporate the strawberry sauce. Be careful not to let it boil. Pour into glass mug.
2. Top with whipped cream and sliced strawberry.

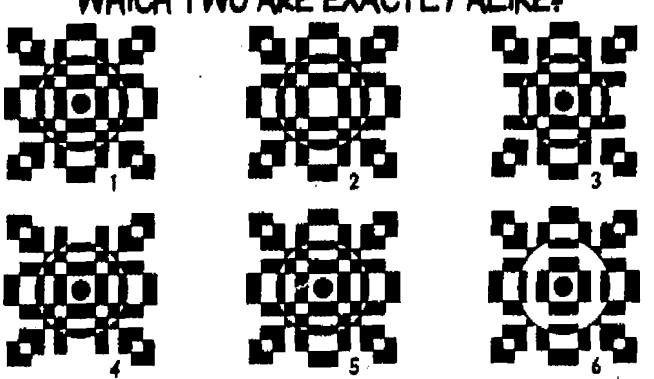
Microwave Method: Combine cold milk, syrups and/or sauce in a microwave-safe mug or glass and mix well. Microwave for 30 seconds and follow directions for garnish.

Makes 1 serving



FIND THE TWINS

WHICH TWO ARE EXACTLY ALIKE?

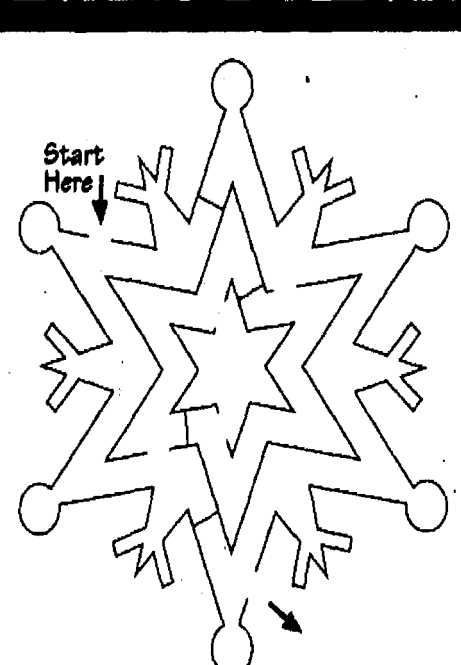


DID YOU KNOW ??

Americans eat an average of 18 pounds of fresh apples each year.

The most popular variety in the United States is the Red Delicious

MAZE



ADOPT A PET



Kody

is a very nice young Husky. She is affectionate, intelligent and playful. She has been spayed and vaccinated and would really love to have a family and a home.

Phoebe

is about 4 months old. She is beautiful, playful and really sweet. This little darling has been spayed, Leukemia tested and vaccinated. She just needs a home.



The Animal Shelter of Crawford County is a participating member of the Very Best Pet Network.

The Animal Shelter of Crawford County is located at:
508 1/2 Huron Street (M-72 East) in Grayling

Between the Road Commission and the Eagles Hall
Hours: Open 9 to 3 Monday thru Saturday, 9 to 12 on Sundays and Holidays
After hour appointments available. Call (989) 348-4117

For more pets or more information, visit our website www.ascc.petfinder.com

HOROSCOPES

For the week of January 11, 2007



Capricorn
December 22 - January 19
A health crisis passes. Get out the party hats and horns. Capricorn, break out the bubbly and invite some friends over for a party. Your efforts at home finally pay off.



Aries
March 21 - April 19
Timing is critical in a project at work. Make a schedule and stick to it. Aries, someone is waiting in the wings for you to slip up. Don't let that happen.



Cancer
June 22 - July 22
It is obvious that a friend is not cut out for a job they volunteered for. It is not your place, however, to tell them. Bite your tongue. Cancer, and offer to help them instead.



Libra
September 23 - October 22
Silliness is on the agenda at home. Go ahead, Libra, and cut loose. After all of your hard work recently, you deserve to have some fun.



Aquarius
January 20 - February 18
When push comes to shove, you have what it takes, Aquarius. Don't forget that as a financial crisis develops. Changes are in store at work—accept them without question.



Taurus
April 20 - May 20
Itching to get away from it all, Taurus? Lucky for you, vacation plans begin to come together. A blast from the past drops by unannounced over the weekend and leaves you in stitches.



Leo
July 23 - August 22
Wishing your financial outlook would improve, Leo? Relax. It will, but all in good time. Keep pinching those pennies and paying down debt, and you will come out smiling.



Scorpio
October 23 - November 21
As great as it may sound, Scorpio, a financial proposal may not be such a good idea. Study it carefully before joining in. Something is not right.



Pisces
February 19 - March 20
Emotions are running high these days at home. Do your best not to get sucked into the drama. Pisces, a financial quandary is resolved—celebrate!



Gemini
May 21 - June 21
It becomes all too clear that a relative is distressed. Find out what is wrong and do your best to shoulder some of the burden. You won't regret it, Gemini.



Virgo
August 23 - September 22
Secrets are revealed at home. Now is not the time to come unglued, Virgo. Anger will get you nowhere; understanding, on the other hand, is everything.



Sagittarius
November 22 - December 21
A rumor turns out to be true, Sagittarius. There is no need for you to worry, though. A friend, on the other hand, may not be so lucky. Be there for them.

WEATHER

Courtesy of the City of Grayling

Last Week

Date	H	L	Precip. Inches
1/3	40	26	0
1/4	47	32	0
1/5	46	34	0.03
1/6	47	36	0.02
1/7	36	24	0.01
1/8	35	23	0.06
1/9	31	22	0.01

Extended Forecast (Courtesy of the Weather.com)

Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
High 37	High 32	High 27	High 29	High 24	High 22
Low 31	Low 23	Low 26	Low 19	Low 16	Low 16
Mostly Cloudy / Windy	Few Snow Showers	Few Snow Showers	Light Wintry Mix	Snow Showers	Mostly Cloudy

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Crawford County Avalanche

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1. Real Estate
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1. Real Estate
2-3 BEDROOM 2 bath, year round ranch in peaceful setting, on maintained road, near lakes and snowmobiling. 2482 Sandy Trail, south off M-72, 7.3 miles east of Grayling. Price reduced. (586) 446-0004, (586) 713-7500. (6/22/06tf/1)

1. Real Estate
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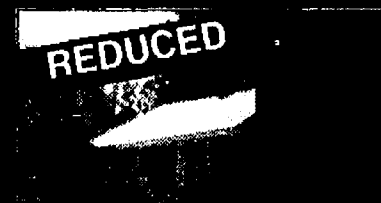
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Stunning property and 33 acres of it. Brick home offers a fireplace and 2 bedrooms and 2 bathrooms. Hardwood flooring through most of the home. Screened in porch and PRIVACY...very quiet and secluded. \$169,900.00 #5722



REDUCED
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REDUCED
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REDUCED
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HOUSE FOR SALE
 Wednesday, January 24, 2007

Property is located at 2741 E. M-72, Grayling, Michigan

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3. Employment

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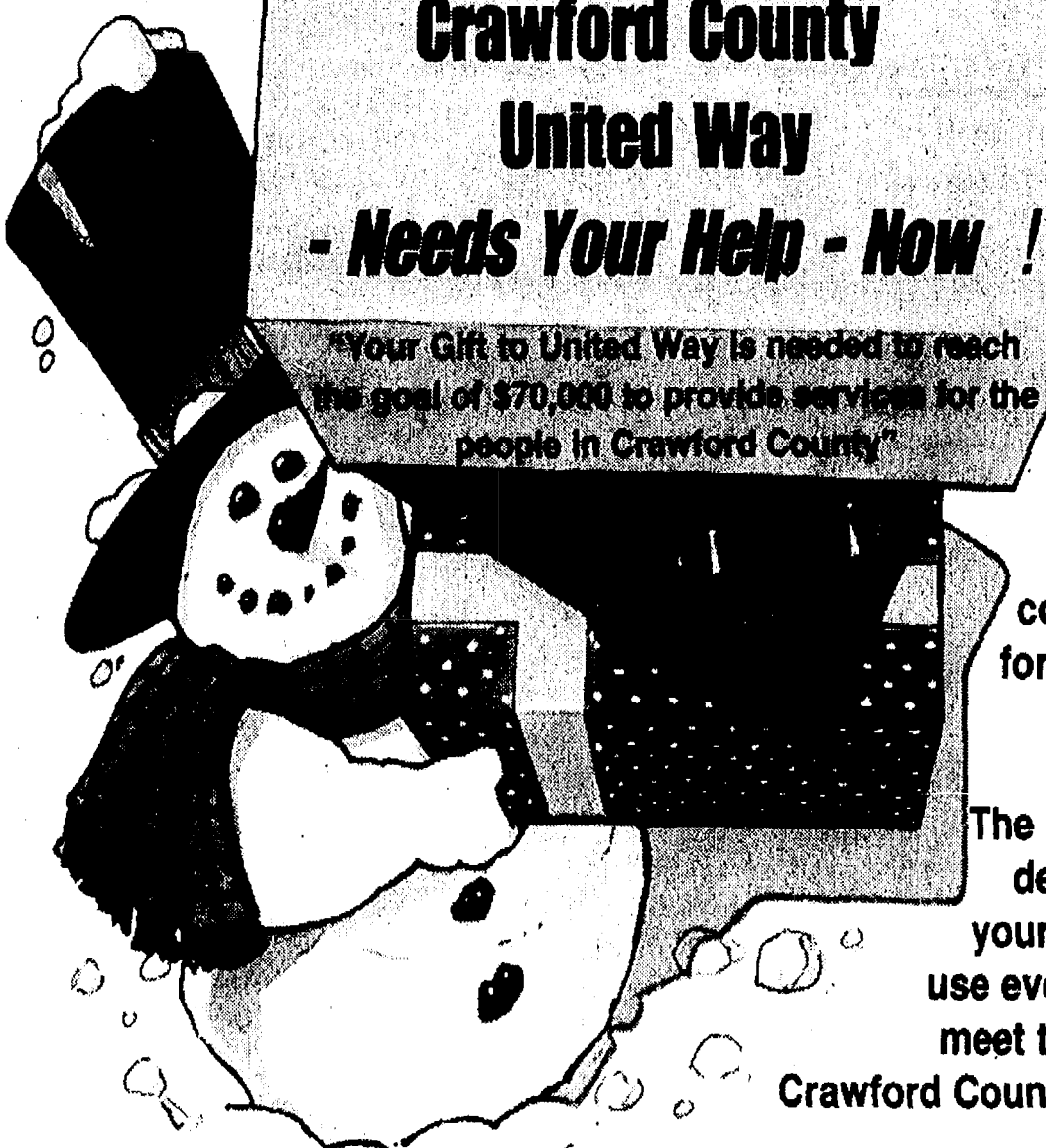
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9. Personals

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